

City of Poulsbo

Office of Mayor Rebecca Erickson



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Martha & Mary began in 1891 as Martha & Mary Children’s Home, founded by Reverend Ingebrit Tollefson and other leaders of the Poulsbo’s First Lutheran Church, making 2016 the 125th Anniversary of Martha & Mary, one of the longest running successful non-profit organizations in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, Martha & Mary provides quality, compassionate care and intergeneration experiences for children, adults, and seniors, regardless of faith, ethnicity, or economic status by offering those they serve caring rehabilitation, a safe place to grow and learn, and an opportunity to live with dignity, honor, and individuality; and

WHEREAS, they are headquartered in Poulsbo, Martha & Mary is committed to a mission of excellence and access, ensuring that all, regardless of financial circumstances, receive the best quality care in Kitsap County and beyond; and

WHEREAS, since 1891, Martha & Mary Lutheran Services has met the needs of children, seniors, and their families on the Kitsap Peninsula – caring for more than 1,000 children per year through childcare, early learning, and before/after school programs; providing 500-600 seniors and older adults with post-hospitalization medical rehabilitation services, long-term care, memory care, and palliative care; helping seniors remain independent with in-home care services available throughout Kitsap County; providing affordable retirement apartments at The Ebenezer in Poulsbo and Village Green Senior Apartments in Kingston, and managing Bremerton’s Bay Vista Commons assisted living apartments for the Bremerton Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, Martha & Mary continually strives to create meaningful “community” in which the children, residents, staff, and volunteers grow in understanding and appreciation of the gifts that both young and old bring into our lives.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Rebecca Erickson, Mayor of the City of Poulsbo, Washington, hereby proclaim September 10, 2016 as:

MARTHA & MARY’S 125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

DATED this 7th day of September, 2016

Rebecca Erickson, Mayor