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P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, on February 14, 1996 the Mayor and City Council discussed the possibility of adopting a sister city in Norway and have agreed that Namsos, Norway, which has a population of 12,000 people and has many ties to the City of Poulsbo, would be an excellent selection as Poulsbo's sister city; and

WHEREAS, Namsos, Norway is a coastal city situated in the middle section of Norway at the mouth of the Namsen River and experiences heavy maritime traffic as well as visits from kings and other dignitaries who come to catch the Atlantic salmon; and

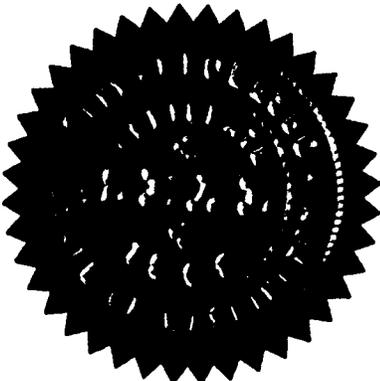
WHEREAS, The City of Namsos, Norway celebrated its 150th anniversary in 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of Poulsbo sent a letter to Mayor Ness of Namsos communicating the city's interest in adopting Namsos as Poulsbo's sister city and initiating the sister city program by the exchanging of proclamations and keys to the city and the Mayor of Namsos has indicated that the citizens of Namsos support the sister city program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD MITCHUSSON, Mayor of Poulsbo, do hereby declare and proclaim the City of Namsos, Norway as

Poulsbo's Sister City

DATED this 15th day of May, 1996.




Richard Mitchusson, Mayor