

PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR

WHEREAS, the Gig Harbor Sportsman’s Club was formally incorporated as a not-for-profit in 1947 by a group of Gig Harbor residents, many of whom were descended from Gig Harbor’s pioneering immigrant families and veterans of World War II; and

WHEREAS, the Sportsman’s Club has owned the land where the club now stands since its inception, constructing the clubhouse in 1950 and continuously adding improvements including Olympic event-aligned rifle and pistol ranges, trap fields, and archery ranges; and

WHEREAS, the Sportsman’s Club has grown its membership from an initial 125 members to over 2,000 current members (including 500 family memberships); and

WHEREAS, the Sportsman’s Club performs a vital service to the community by providing education and safety trainings, with over 200 firearms trainings provided annually, self-defense training in collaboration with the Well-Armed Woman Organization, and training over 4,000 people in Washington State’s required hunter education program; and

WHEREAS, the Sportsman’s Club considers itself a service organization by holding many community events and fundraisers each year for worthy causes and providing scholarships to high school students; and

WHEREAS, the City values and endorses the Sportsman’s Club’s Missions Statement: “To provide a facility and organization that safely, enjoyably, and economically allows our members, guests, and our community to participate in the shooting sports and fellowship of the Club;”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tracie Markley, Mayor of the City of Gig Harbor, recognize July 11, 2022, as the

75th Anniversary of the Gig Harbor Sportsman’s Club

and encourage all residents to join me in celebrating this monumental occasion, thanking the members of the club for their positive impact on the City throughout the last 75 years. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Gig Harbor to be affixed this 11th day of July, 2022.

Tracie Markley, Mayor

Date