



WHEREAS, Heart Safe Richland was initiated by Richland Fire & Emergency Services Department to educate the public on sudden cardiac arrest awareness, hands only cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), use of an automated external defibrillator (AED), Good Samaritan Laws protecting their response and how to acquire AEDs for public access defibrillation; and

WHEREAS, the mission statement for Richland Fire & Emergency Services Department is to "Protect and Enhance the Quality of Life," this initiative directly supports said mission; and

WHEREAS, proper training and awareness will save lives; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager for the City of Richland expresses her support for the Heart Safe Richland initiative.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert J. Thompson, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Richland, Washington, do hereby proclaim that the City of Richland is in full support of the Heart Safe Richland initiative and encourages staff to proceed with their efforts in obtaining the Heart Safe designation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed hereto the official seal of the City of Richland, Washington this 4th day of June, 2019.

Robert J. Thompson
Mayor of Richland