



Proclamation

WHEREAS, all people should have access to safe, healthy, and affordable homes; and

WHEREAS, access to housing is about more than having a roof over one's head; it is the foundation for achieving better educational, employment, and health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, research shows that affordable, healthy homes are positively linked to physical and psychological well-being; and the CDC recognizes safe, healthy, and affordable housing within communities of opportunity as a key social determinant of health; and

WHEREAS, housing stability and staying socially distant from those outside of one's household has become one of the state's core public health strategies during the COVID-19 crisis; and

WHEREAS, the need for affordable homes across King County has continued to rise, exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic with the number of people experiencing homelessness at crisis levels; and

WHEREAS, everyone benefits from affordable housing, including the people who reside in these properties, their neighbors, schools, businesses, employers, and the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burien has made commitments to affordable housing through the establishment of the Affordable Housing Demonstration Pilot Program and Burien Housing Action Plan, tenant protections, the rental housing inspection program as well as participation in the South King County Housing and Homelessness Partnership and regional working groups, and is committed to an equitable community recovery from the current crisis; and

WHEREAS, communities throughout King County are acknowledging local Affordable Housing Week in a united effort to raise public awareness of the critical need to preserve and increase affordable housing in our communities.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON DOES HEREBY ASK ALL BURIEN COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO JOIN TOGETHER TO PROCLAIM MAY 9 TO 15, 2021 AS

AFFORDABLE HOUSING WEEK

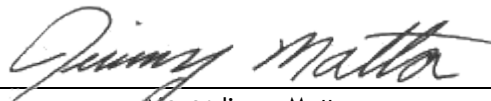
IN THE CITY OF BURIEN AND URGES ALL TO RECOGNIZE THE DEEP CONNECTION BETWEEN HEALTH AND HOUSING.

Dated this 3RD day of May 2021.

Deputy Mayor Krystal Marx
Councilmember Kevin Schilling

Councilmember Pedro Olguin
Councilmember Nancy Tosta

Councilmember Cydney Moore
Councilmember Sofia Aragon



Mayor Jimmy Matta

