

# ~PROCLAMATION~

## BILL OF RIGHTS DAY

**WHEREAS**, our Nation was founded on the idea that each of us is endowed with certain unalienable rights as stated in our Declaration of Independence, among those are the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and

**WHEREAS**, the first Ten Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America, known collectively as the Bill of Rights, were ratified on December 15, 1791; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bill of Rights recognizes, affirms, and protects our right to speak freely, the right to petition our government, the right to peaceably assemble, the right to freely worship, the right to keep and bear arms, the right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures, protection of personal property, the right to due process of law, limits excessive punishments, and reserves powers not delegated to the Federal government to be reserved to the States or to the people; and

**WHEREAS**, the rights and freedoms guaranteed by the Bill of Rights deserve not only perennial commemoration by perpetual observation and vigilance.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Mayor Mike Dalesandro do proclaim December 15, 2019 as "Bill of Rights Day" in the City of Battle Ground. I ask all citizens reaffirm our commitment to defend the Bill of Rights and uphold the Constitution. Furthermore, a copy of the Bill of Rights is to be conspicuously posted at City Hall from this day forward.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Battle Ground to be affixed this 2nd day December 2019.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Dalesandro", is written over a horizontal line.

**Mayor Mike Dalesandro**