

~ PROCLAMATION ~

WHEREAS, the Soroptimist organization, founded on October 3, 1921, works to economically empower women and girls through access to education; and

WHEREAS, the Soroptimist International of Camas-Washougal was formed in 1948; and

WHEREAS, the Soroptimist International of Camas-Washougal has been an integral part of the Camas-Washougal community for the past 73 years; and

WHEREAS, the Soroptimist International of Camas-Washougal has improved the lives of Camas' and Washougal's women and girls by:

- Disbursing approximately \$500,000 in *Soroptimist Live Your Dreams Awards* to local women to help them get education and training they need to improve their employment and economic standing
- Holding *Soroptimist Dream It, Be It* events that have put almost 30 local girls on the path toward achieving their career goals
- Working with local organizations to get women the legal and economic resources they need to break free from former lives of sex trafficking and domestic violence
- Providing hygiene, food, and other products needed by Children's Home Society of Washington in Washougal and Family Promise of Clark County in Camas
- Supporting Relay for Life and Breast Cancer Awareness Programs
- Providing financial assistance to Babies in Need and Vida's Ark
- Supporting Camas Community Youth Programs
- Assisting community members that are downsizing or moving with estate sales since 1988

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ellen Burton, Mayor of the City of Camas, do hereby proclaim October 4, 2021, as:

“Soroptimist International of Camas-Washougal Day”

in the City of Camas, and extend congratulations to Soroptimist for their 100th anniversary and thanks to the Camas-Washougal club for their many contributions to our community.



In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Camas to be affixed this 4th day of October, 2021.

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

Ellen Burton, Mayor