

PROCLAMATION

BALD EAGLES

WHEREAS, the Bald Eagle has long stood as an enduring symbol of freedom, strength, and the indomitable spirit of the United States of America, having been designated a national emblem in 1782; and

WHEREAS, on December 24, 2024, the Bald Eagle was officially declared the national bird of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Bald Eagle once faced the threat of extinction but has made a remarkable recovery through the dedicated efforts of conservationists, policymakers, and communities nationwide, demonstrating the power of environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, Lake Forest Park, located amid the natural beauty of the Pacific Northwest, is proud to provide habitats supporting a wide variety of wildlife, including Bald Eagles that grace our skies and enrich our ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, the presence of Bald Eagles in our community reminds us of the ongoing need to protect and preserve the rich biodiversity of our waterways, forests, and open spaces for the benefit of current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Lake Forest Park take pride in fostering a spirit of environmental responsibility and respect for all wildlife, including the majestic Bald Eagle.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park do hereby proclaim our admiration and gratitude for the Bald Eagle as a cherished symbol of our national heritage and a beacon of conservation success as we urge all citizens to join in this recognition.

Signed this 9th day of January, 2025

Thomas French, Mayor