

BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

AB 6322 September 5, 2023 Consent Agenda

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB 6322: Peace Day on Mercer Island, Proclamation No. 315	□ Discussion Only ⊠ Action Needed: □ Motion
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Approve Proclamation No. 315 proclaiming September 21, 2023 as Peace Day on Mercer Island.	 ☑ Motion □ Ordinance □ Resolution

DEPARTMENT:	City Council
STAFF:	Salim Nice, Mayor Andrea Larson, City Clerk
COUNCIL LIAISON:	n/a
EXHIBITS:	1. Proclamation No. 315
CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:	n/a

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$ n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$ n/a

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda bill is to proclaim September 21, 2022 as Peace Day on Mercer Island (Exhibit 1).

BACKGROUND

The International Day of Peace ("Peace Day") is observed around the world each year on September 21. Established in 1981 by a unanimous United Nations resolution, Peace Day provides a globally shared date for all humanity to commit to peace above all differences and to contribute to building a Culture of Peace.

The 2023 theme for the International Day of Peace is *Actions for Peace: Our Ambition for the #GlobalGoals;* a push to recognize individual and collective responsibilities for fostering peace. Fostering peace contributes to the realization of the United Nation's <u>Sustainable Development Goals</u> and achieving these Goals can help create a culture of peace for all.

In 2023, City of Mercer Island adopted the City's first Climate Action Plan, which outlines guiding principles for sustainability on Mercer Island. The International Day of Peace provides another opportunity for residents to pause and reflect on their community's role in sustainability and creating peace and belonging on Mercer Island.

Learn more about the International Day of Peace at https://internationaldayofpeace.org/get-involved/

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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