



Proclamation

WHEREAS, all people deserve access to safe, healthy, and affordable housing within the communities that provide opportunity, stability, and high quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development defines affordable housing as housing for which occupants pay no more than 30 percent of their gross income on housing costs, including utilities; and

WHEREAS, projections from the Washington State Department of Commerce indicate that by 2044, King County will need nearly 200,000 additional housing units affordable to households earning at or below 80 percent of area median income; and

WHEREAS, research demonstrates a strong correlation between rising housing costs and homelessness, with increases in median rent contributing to significant increases in homelessness across metropolitan, suburban, and rural communities; and

WHEREAS, expanding access to affordable housing strengthens communities by supporting residents, fostering economic vitality, and enhancing neighborhood stability; and

WHEREAS, communities throughout King County join together each year to recognize Affordable Housing Week, raising awareness and advancing solutions to ensure all residents have access to safe and affordable homes.

NOW, THEREFORE I, James Mayhew, Mayor of City of Snoqualmie do hereby proclaim May 18th, 2026 – May 22nd, 2026, as:

AFFORDABLE HOUSING WEEK

in the City of Snoqualmie and encourage all residents to join in celebrating this special observance.

APPROVED, this 11th day of May 2026.

James Mayhew, Mayor

