

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*, the basis for the continuity of any society is education and the education of our youth is a priority in the City of Tumwater; and

*WHEREAS*, in order to achieve its highest goals, education must not only impart knowledge but also teach students how to live, forming and strengthening their moral character to make a better life for themselves as individuals and for society as a whole; and

*WHEREAS*, a global spiritual leader and leading advocate for the advancement of education, the Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, of righteous memory, stressed that a moral and ethical education empowers every individual to develop their full potential in making the world a better place; and

*WHEREAS*, such an education can nurture unity of diverse peoples through encouraging increased acts of kindness, imbued with the awareness that even a single positive act of an individual can transform our state and change the world; and

*WHEREAS*, in 1978, President Jimmy Carter designated Schneerson's birthday as national Education Day. "Education & Sharing Day" is observed each year on the Rebbe's birthday in recognition of his outstanding and lasting contributions toward the improvement of education and acts of charity around the world; a day to pause and reflect on our responsibility to ensure our youth have the foundation necessary to lead lives rich in purpose and fulfillment through service and good works; and

*WHEREAS*, 2025, will mark 123 years since the Rebbe's birth, capping a year in which thousands of new institutions and initiatives were launched throughout the world in tribute to this celebration.

*NOW THEREFORE*, I, Debbie Sullivan, Mayor of the City of Tumwater, do hereby proclaim

*April 9, 2025*

*Education and Sharing Day*

and I call upon the people of the City of Tumwater to work together to create a better, brighter, and more promising future for all.

Signed in the City of Tumwater, Washington, and recognized on this 15th day of April in the year, two thousand twenty-five.



*Debbie Sullivan*

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*Mayor*