Mayor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Vietnamese community in Auburn has added an entrepreneurial spirit and dynamism that has contributed greatly to the economic vitality and prosperity of our city; and

WHEREAS, The city of Auburn is home to a large number of Vietnamese Americans who have contributed to the business and commerce of the City of Auburn and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of Vietnamese Americans embrace the yellow flag with three red stripes as the symbol of the Vietnamese American community; and

WHEREAS, Dating back to 1948 the yellow flag with three red stripes has a long history in Vietnam and is a broader symbol of resilience, freedom and democracy of and for the Vietnamese American community; and

WHEREAS, Vietnamese Americans have shown their desire that the yellow flag with three stripes be recognized as the official flag of the Vietnamese American Community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter B. Lewis, Mayor of the city of Auburn, Washington do hereby recognize

"Vietnamese Freedom and Heritage Flag"

in the city of Auburn and encourage county officials and state legislators to pass legislation recognizing the yellow flag with three red stripes as the official flag of the Vietnamese American community.

DATED this 18th day of October 2010

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Peter B. Lewis, Mayor

