



City of Bothell™

PROCLAMATION

Transgender Day of Visibility

WHEREAS, Transgender Day of Visibility is observed annually on March 31 to celebrate the lives and contributions of transgender, nonbinary, and gender-nonconforming people while raising awareness of the discrimination, challenges, and violence the transgender community continues to face; and

WHEREAS, all transgender people have inherent worth and are deserving of respect and dignity, from well-known historical and public figures to those for whom it is not safe to live their authentic lives; and

WHEREAS, the lives and human rights of transgender people are under attack, with multiple legislative attempts to restrict the rights of transgender people, agency websites erasing references to historical contributions of transgender people, and numerous anti-trans bills passed and pending across the country that seek to define trans people out of existence, cancel identity documents, and restrict access to public space; and

WHEREAS, celebrating transgender lives, recognizing the accomplishments of transgender people, and fostering transgender joy are critical to countering the attacks, ensuring that each and every transgender person in the Bothell community knows that they are seen, valued, and welcomed here.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mason Thompson, Mayor of the City of Bothell, do hereby proclaim March 31, 2026 as “Transgender Day of Visibility” in the City of Bothell and encourage all Bothell community members to uplift their transgender family, friends, and neighbors, focusing on their strength, resilience, and accomplishments through the adversity they face, and to actively work toward building a community where transgender people can live openly, safely, and with full and equal access to opportunity and belonging.

Signed this 17th day of March 2026.



Mason Thompson, Mayor