

City of Kenmore, Washington

Kenmore Air 75th Anniversary

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Kenmore Air was founded in 1946 by three friends reunited following World War II at the former site of a shingle mill on Lake Washington; and

WHEREAS, Kenmore Air began offering charter seaplane flights in the early 1950's after establishing itself as a dealership for Seabee and Cessna planes and becoming known for its expertise in aircraft maintenance and construction; and

WHEREAS, Kenmore Air expanded their charter and scheduled service on seaplanes and wheeled aircraft over the years throughout Western Washington, British Columbia, and other destinations in the Western US; and

WHEREAS, Kenmore Air generates tourism traffic to Kenmore, with over 15,000 passengers taking off and arriving in 2019 at the Kenmore Air Harbor—the largest seaplane base in the continental US; and

WHEREAS, Kenmore Air, like many local businesses, was significantly affected by the COVID Pandemic and had to temporarily curtail operations and scale back, but has resumed services to an expanded list of US destinations, and looks forward to offering flights to Canada once again; and

WHEREAS, As the headquarters for Kenmore Air, the seaplane is a distinctive and emblematic feature of the City of Kenmore—as part of the City logo, the name of a local craft brewer's IPA, the name of Town Square's gathering place, The Hangar, and Seaplane Capital; and

WHEREAS, Kenmore Air plans to celebrate its 75th Anniversary on Saturday, August 28 by hosting a community celebration; and

WHEREAS, Kenmore Air's basic philosophy and motto resonate even more in this 75th year of operations— "Do the right thing."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kenmore City Council congratulates and honors Kenmore Air on its 75th Anniversary and celebrates its resilience and spirit. IN WITNESS THEREOF, signed this 26th day of July 2021



Signed: _____

Attested: _____

[Signature of Mayor David Baker]
[Signature of Anastasiya Warhol]

Mayor David Baker

City Clerk Anastasiya Warhol