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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Kurt Triplett, City Manager  
**From:** Marie Stake, Communications Program Manager  
**Date:** October 13, 2010  
**Subject:** November as Diabetes Month Proclamation

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that Mayor Joan McBride proclaim November, 2010 as Diabetes Month as requested by the American Diabetes Association.

**BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:**

The American Diabetes Association is behind the largest national movement to stop diabetes and has launched an educational campaign that encourages communities to become involved by sharing, acting, learning and giving. In November 2009, the Association launched its *Stop Diabetes*<sup>®</sup> initiative and as a way to celebrate its one year anniversary, communities across the United States are being asked to participate. One way cities are participating is by proclaiming November as Diabetes Month.

Laura Keller, citizen of Kirkland and Western Region Director of Advocacy for the American Diabetes Association, will be present to receive the proclamation.



## A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND

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### Proclaiming November 2010 as "American Diabetes Month" in Kirkland, Washington

**WHEREAS**, in the United States, 24 million children and adults live with diabetes and an additional 57 million Americans are at risk; and

**WHEREAS**, one out of every three children (and one in two minority children) born in the United States today will face a future with diabetes if current trends continue; and

**WHEREAS**, diabetes is a serious disease with potentially life-threatening complications such as heart disease, stroke, blindness, and kidney disease; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Diabetes Association encourages communities to become more aware of the seriousness of diabetes and launched a national campaign in November 2009 to Stop Diabetes<sup>®</sup> with the ambitious goal of gathering the support of millions of Americans to help confront, fight, and most importantly, stop diabetes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Stop Diabetes<sup>®</sup> campaign encourages Americans to join the movement and learn more by visiting [www.stopdiabetes.com](http://www.stopdiabetes.com) or calling 1-800-DIABETES;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Joan McBride, Mayor of Kirkland, do hereby proclaim November as American Diabetes Month in Kirkland, Washington and encourage residents to get involved with the education, prevention and control of diabetes that affects far too many Americans.

Signed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2010

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Joan McBride, Mayor