PROCLAMATION Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Week October 22 – 26, 2018

WHEREAS, Code Enforcement Officers provide for safety, health and welfare of the citizens in the communities throughout the State of Washington through the enforcement of local codes or ordinances dealing with various issues of building, zoning, housing, animal control, environmental, health and life safety; and

WHEREAS, Code Enforcement Officers often have a challenging and demanding role and often do not receive recognition for the job that they do in improving living and working conditions for residents and businesses of local communities; and

WHEREAS, the role of many Code Enforcement Officers has expanded in recent years with the increased number of foreclosed and abandoned homes in communities impacted economically; and

WHEREAS, Code Enforcement Officers are dedicated, highly-qualified professionals who share the goals of preventing neighborhood deterioration, enhancing and ensuring safety, and preserving values through knowledge and application of housing, zoning, and nuisance codes and ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Code Enforcement Officers often have a highly visible role in the communities they serve and regularly interact with a variety of state, county, first responder, and legislative boards, commissions, agencies, and bodies within the capacity of their role in the community; and

WHEREAS, Code Enforcement Officers are called upon to provide quality customer service and excellence to the residents and businesses of the communities in which they serve; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Association of Code Enforcement wants to recognize and honor Code Enforcement Officers and Professionals all across the State of Washington and bring awareness to the importance of code enforcement to the communities of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Association of Code Enforcement was established in 1988 for the purpose of providing ongoing training and support for Code Enforcement professionals working in the State of Washington;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY ILWACO, WASHINGTON, the week of October 22-26, 2018 as **Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Week** in the City and call upon residents of Ilwaco to join in recognizing and expressing their appreciation for the dedication and service by the individuals who serve as our Code Enforcement Officer(s); and

PROCLAIMED, signed and sealed this 22nd day of October, 2018 in Ilwaco, Washington.

	Mayor, Gary Forner	
Attest:		
Stephanie Davis, City Clerk	_	