

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Father Scott has served as Pastor at Assumption Church for twelve years and during that time has positively impacted the lives of thousands of Whatcom County residents; and

WHEREAS, during Father Scott's tenure, he has worked on many issues in our community including helping the homeless and opening the church gym in the cold winter months. He encouraged Assumption to be one of the first Bellingham churches to sign up to host Family Promise and he has worked with many non-profit agencies to help people in need and intentionally build bridges between the diverse culture groups within the parish; and

WHEREAS, Father Scott has been named Distinguished Pastor by the National Catholic Education Association, served faithfully on the Presbyterial Council and the Archdiocesan Faith Formation Commission and as Dean for the Northern Deanery; and

WHEREAS, Father Scott has served as a member on the Board at PeaceHealth, visited countless patients and families at the hospital, nursing homes, in their own homes and brings comfort, healing and the sacraments of the Church; and

WHEREAS, Father Scott donated the proceeds from a book he wrote after doing the Camino de Santiago in Spain called "The Dance of Christian Life," to the PeaceHealth Cancer Center; and

WHEREAS, he guided the renovation of Assumption Church, which has been a beacon of hope in Bellingham for over 100 years; and

WHEREAS, Father Scott has been a strong advocate for Catholic education and leading Assumption Catholic School to be successful; and

WHEREAS, Father Scott is a true leader in our Bellingham community and will be truly missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, DO I, Kelli Linville, Mayor of the City of Bellingham, hereby proclaim June 28, 2019 to be

FATHER SCOTT APPRECIATION DAY

in the City of Bellingham and I urge all citizens to join me in recognizing Father Scott for his contributions and service in the City of Bellingham, Washington.



Signed this 10th day of June, 2019

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Kelli Linville, Mayor City of Bellingham