

CITY OF LACEY
Proclamation

WHEREAS, an estimated 40 million people worldwide, including 900,000 citizens in the United States, are currently living with HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, young people under the age of 25 account for more than half of all new infections; and

WHEREAS, to support our struggle against HIV/AIDS, we must call upon the compassion, energy, and generosity of all people through their service, dedication and volunteer organizations to offer invaluable support and hope; and

WHEREAS, these organizations also help overcome dangerous barriers to HIV/AIDS prevention, care, and treatment; such as the stigma and discrimination that often attaches to those suffering from HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, by raising awareness and promoting acceptance of people living with HIV/AIDS, we help improve the lives of millions of people around the world and within our own community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Graeme Sackrison, Mayor of the City of Lacey, on behalf of the Lacey City Council, do hereby proclaim April 24, 2008, as

Dine Out For Life Day

and encourage the citizens of Lacey to join with me to unite against HIV/AIDS by participating in community events and supporting the United Community AIDS Network through support of their programs and the use of community resources to help educate, medically treat, and provide emotional support for afflicted individuals within our own community.

Mayor Graeme Sackrison
April 10, 2008

