

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Tacoma, Washington has been working collaboratively with the Chinese Reconciliation Project Foundation to promote peace and harmony in our multicultural community; and

WHEREAS, the Chinese Reconciliation Park has been established and is currently being built to recognize and educate the public about the expulsion of the Chinese from Tacoma 125 years ago; and

WHEREAS, Tacoma has been in a sister city relationship with Fuzhou China since 1994 and in 2005 the City of Fuzhou decided to donate a pavilion "Ting" to be built in the Reconciliation Park to support Tacoma's Chinese reconciliation efforts; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2010, a delegation of four Fuzhou construction supervisors arrived in Tacoma for a six-week stay to help build the Ting; and

WHEREAS, the Fuzhou Ting is now nearly complete;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARILYN STRICKLAND, Mayor of the City of Tacoma, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby recognize the members of the Fuzhou delegation for their extraordinary hard work and dedication provided to bring this project to completion. I encourage all citizens to join me in congratulating the City of Fuzhou, as well as Mr. Zhang Fan, Mr. Weng Qihua, Mr. Weng Qicai and Ms. Han Zhumei of Fuzhou on the successful completion of this project.



**WITNESS, THEREFORE, MY HAND
AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE
CITY OF TACOMA, WASHINGTON,
This 26th Day of October, 2010**


MARILYN STRICKLAND, Mayor

