

Proclamation

National League of Cities Declaring June as Small Cities Month

WHEREAS, small cities and towns under 50,000 population are the home to millions of Americans and constitute the vast majority of municipalities across the United States; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Rainier is a small city with under 10,000 creative and innovative residents; and

WHEREAS, small cities and towns strive to strengthen their communities through the provision of services and programs to improve the quality of life for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Rainier is a member of the National League of Cities, with Mayor Benitez being an appointed member of NLC Small Cities Council; and

WHEREAS, the federal government is an essential partner in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to support programs and legislation that strengthen small communities; and

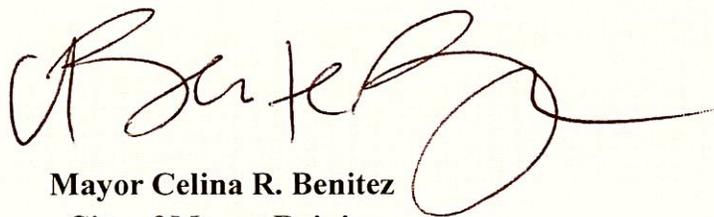
WHEREAS, state governments are partners in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to support key programs and legislation that strengthen communities; and

WHEREAS, organizations, businesses, and citizens are partners in the success of small cities and towns, and must be encouraged to continue to grow their efforts to make small communities a viable choice for people to live in; and

WHEREAS, during these challenging economic times, the need for a renewed intergovernmental partnership to support essential public services is more important than ever to ensure the safety and growth of small town America; and

WHEREAS, the National League of Cities President and the Small Cities Council of the National League of Cities have declared June as Small Cities Month;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Celina R. Benitez does hereby proclaim June, as Small Cities Month, and encourages other Municipalities, Congress, state governments, organizations, businesses, and all citizens to recognize this event, and to work together this month and throughout the year to invest in small cities and towns to better the lives of all citizens.

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Mayor Celina R. Benitez
City of Mount Rainier