



# *A Proclamation of the City of Mill Creek*

**WHEREAS**, *Music4Life* is a Puget Sound area non-profit started in 2007 that acquires lovingly-used musical instruments and provides them for use by the public school students of families in need; and

**WHEREAS**, the benefits of participation in instrumental music at any age can last a lifetime. Music education is an integral part of a well-rounded education that prepares students for success in life by teaching teamwork and self-discipline; and

**WHEREAS**, musical education helps facilitate learning in other subjects such as math, science, history, literature, international languages, and other academic disciplines, and enhances children's life skills; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of owning or renting an instrument is a barrier preventing students from many low-income families from participating in instrumental music activities; and

**WHEREAS**, many adults have lovingly-used musical instruments in their garages, closets, or attics that they no longer use. The month of May is an excellent time to donate these instruments so *Music4Life* can start any repairs necessary in order to get the instruments to students in the fall; and

**WHEREAS** each musical instrument is a "loaner" and must be returned to Everett Public Schools when the student leaves the school district so another student of a family-in-need can benefit from its use; and

**WHEREAS** *Music4Life* has provided hundreds of musical instruments to children in Everett Public Schools, with over 44 instruments provided to students attending Jackson High School (including a tuba this year), and 51 to Heatherwood Middle School in Mill Creek.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Stephanie Vignal, the Mayor of the City of Mill Creek, on behalf of the City Council, do recognize the great work of *Music4Life* and designate the month of May as *Music4Life* month.

Signed this 26th day of May 2026

Attest

  
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Leah Holmes, City Clerk

  
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Stephanie Vignal, Mayor