

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, on February 6, 1898 a group of Seattle citizens formed “The Order of Good Things” which then became The Fraternal Order of Eagles with Grand Aerie #1 located in Seattle; and
- WHEREAS, from Seattle, the Eagles grew rapidly and now, for more than a century, the Fraternal Order of Eagles has had a positive influence on our region, nation and world — most importantly on our communities — and
- WHEREAS, the Eagles advocated for the founding of Mother's Day, provided impetus for creation of the Social Security system, pushed to end job discrimination based on age and advocated for the creation of Medicare; and
- WHEREAS, the Eagles provide research and treatment to combat heart disease and cancer, help handicapped kids, uplift the aged and make life brighter for all; and
- WHEREAS, the Eagles are dedicated to the idea of “people helping people”; and
- WHEREAS, The Eagles claim many great social and political leaders on their rolls — from President Theodore Roosevelt to President Ronald Reagan and President Harry S. Truman – who often reiterated that the Eagles was his type of organization: funded by and for the common man; and
- WHEREAS, the “Mother Aerie” of the Eagles remains to this day here in Seattle, and the Eagles will celebrate the Grand Opening of the new Aerie #1 on Saturday, August 27th, 2011 with a festive open house at 8201 Lake City Way Northeast,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael McGinn, Mayor, hereby proclaim August 27th, 2011 to be

***The Fraternal Order of Eagles
Aerie #1 Day***

in the City of Seattle and urge all to join in offering thanks and best wishes to the Eagles for a more than century-long commitment to “people helping people.”



Michael McGinn
Mayor

