

# The State of Washington



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the City of North Bend is nestled in the upper Snoqualmie River Valley, surrounded by rugged mountains and lush pastures, strategically located between Puget Sound and the Cascade Mountains; and

**WHEREAS**, early foot trails, wagon roads, railroads, and finally highways brought travelers to North Bend, which was incorporated in 1909; and

**WHEREAS**, the community has emphasized the preservation of open spaces, honored the natural environment, and balanced the desire to retain a small town character with promoting economic prosperity and growth; and

**WHEREAS**, gateway to the Cascade Mountains, North Bend affords residents and visitors opportunities to ski, snowmobile, kayak, hike, rock climb, camp, hunt and fish, horseback ride, bicycle and swim; and

**WHEREAS**, North Bend is a bustling stop on the beautiful Mountains to Sound Greenway, providing residents and visitors with eclectic shopping opportunities and easy access from the metropolitan centers of Bellevue and Seattle; and

**WHEREAS**, *Easy to Reach...Hard to Leave* is truly a befitting description of the City of North Bend as it celebrates its centennial during the annual Festival at Mt. Si;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Christine O. Gregoire, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim August 8, 2009, as

### ***City of North Bend Centennial Day***

in Washington State, and I urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2009

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christine Gregoire".

Governor Christine O. Gregoire

