Denis Law Mayor



Proclamation

Whereas, the Renton Sister Cities Association and the City of Renton work in partnership to enhance resident understanding and appreciation for other cultures and promote international goodwill and cooperation through people-to-people relationships worldwide; and

Whereas, Renton's sister city relationship with Nishiwaki, Japan began in 1969 when a sister city alliance was forged by the Renton Lion's Club with support of other civic organizations to promote mutual understanding and goodwill between the United States and Japan; and

*Whereas*, to enhance the sister city relationship with Nishiwaki, Renton City Council in 1994 passed a resolution establishing an official City of Renton-Nishiwaki Sister City Committee; and

*Whereas*, the Washington-Hyogo, Japan Sister State association further strengthens the relationship between Renton and Nishiwaki; and

*Whereas,* this sister city relationship has expanded our community's understanding of other cultures by promoting an awareness of cultural diversity and providing opportunities for social, cultural, and educational enrichment; and

Whereas, the City of Renton and Nishiwaki, Japan are celebrating 50 years of being sister cities;

*Now, therefore,* I, Denis Law, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim all members of the Nishiwaki delegation visting Renton, WA on October 17, 2019 to be

## Honorary Renton Residents

in the City of Renton, and I encourage the community to join me in this special observance.

*In witness whereof,* I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Renton to be affixed this 14th day of October, 2019.

Denis Law, Mayor City of Renton, Washington

