

## ICELANDIC HERITAGE DAY

WHEREAS: Many of Blaine's early settlers were of Icelandic heritage, and;

WHEREAS: The Icelandic settlers provided the community of Blaine with hard working fishermen, farmers, businesspersons, educators, and families, and;

WHEREAS: Many of the descendants of those early Icelandic settlers are still living in the vicinity of Blaine, and;

WHEREAS: The Icelandic Heritage Society will be hosting a revival of the former annual Icelandic Picnic at Peace Arch Park on Saturday, July 22nd, and;

WHEREAS: Others of Icelandic heritage will be visiting Blaine on that day from other areas of the U.S. as well as Canada , and;

WHEREAS: To commemorate the many pioneers of Icelandic heritage from Blaine, there will be Icelandic flags placed on the graves of those Icelandic ancestors which can be found in the Blaine and Hillsdale cemeteries on the date of July 22nd, 2006;

WE HEREBY DECLARE July 22nd, 2006 as ICELANDIC HERITAGE DAY in Blaine, Washington.

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Mike Myers, Mayor

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