

Proclamation

“Problem Gambling Awareness Month”

March 2020

WHEREAS, research indicates that approximately six million American adults and one million youth are addicted to gambling; and

WHEREAS, thousands of adults and adolescents in Washington State have experienced severe gambling problems in their lives; and

WHEREAS, public awareness and treatment have been proven to limit the rate of problem gambling and suicidal ideation in Washington and other states; and

WHEREAS, it is important that the gambling industry and mental health, primary care, treatment, and recovery communities join together to increase public awareness of problem gambling and its high co-occurrence with anxiety and substance use disorders, and to take measures to address this addiction; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Saul Martinez, Mayor of the City of Pasco, Washington, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim March 2020 as

“Problem Gambling Awareness Month”.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Pasco, State of Washington, to be affixed this 19th day of February 2020.



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Saul Martinez".

Saul Martinez, Mayor
City of Pasco