

## CITY OF PULLMAN

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## Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling in conjunction with the National Council on Problem Gambling have designated March 2020 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month;

WHEREAS, problem gambling is a public health issue affecting residents of the Pacific Northwest as well as millions of Americans of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds;

WHEREAS, problem gambling has a significant societal and economic cost for individuals, families, businesses, and communities;

WHEREAS, problem gambling is treatable, and treatment is effective in minimizing this harm to both individuals and society as a whole;

WHEREAS, numerous individuals, professionals, and organizations have dedicated their efforts to the education of the public about problem gambling and the availability and effectiveness of treatment;

WHEREAS, the Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling is a nonprofit organization working to increase public awareness of problem gambling, train treatment providers and gambling industry personnel to address problem and responsible gambling, enhance the availability of treatment services for problem gamblers, and conduct youth-based prevention and culturally sensitive programs.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Glenn A. Johnson, Mayor of the city of Pullman, do hereby proclaim March 2020

## Problem Gambling Awareness Month

in the Pullman community, and I encourage support of the Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling in their efforts to increase awareness and encourage action among friends, family, patients, and clients about gambling addiction.

Mayor Glenn A. Johnson

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