

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, there is compelling evidence of a correlation between the experience of childhood trauma and resulting behavioral and health problems, when the trauma is unrecognized and unaddressed; and

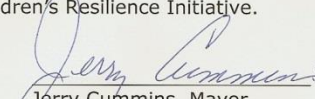
WHEREAS, the cumulative effects of such trauma over a lifespan, if ignored, are detrimental to individuals and communities; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Resilience Initiative of Walla Walla has a vision of a community where all young people thrive and all parents raise their children with consistency and nurturance to develop lasting resilience, and a mission to mobilize the community through dialogue to radically reduce the number of Adverse Childhood Experiences while building resilience and a more effective delivery system.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jerry Cummins, Mayor of Walla Walla, do hereby proclaim October 2014 to be:

### Children's Resilience Month in Walla Walla

and urge all residents to become informed about childhood trauma and how to create resilience in individuals who have suffered such trauma, to integrate these principles into their everyday work and practice, and to otherwise support the work of the Children's Resilience Initiative.

  
Jerry Cummins, Mayor