



## In Recognition of Listening & Serving with Love

**WHEREAS**, compassion is defined as sympathetic consciousness of others' distress together with a desire to alleviate it, and;

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic, has affected millions of families around the world, as well as those right here in our City, in almost all facets of life, especially those experiencing housing instability, and;

**WHEREAS**, compassionate Tacomans recognized that shelter during a global pandemic is first and foremost a basic human need, and;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tacoma Rental Assistance Fund was launched to offset racial disparities in housing instability and COVID impact, 65% of the households served by the program have been headed by a person of color, and;

**WHEREAS**, we applaud the 30 gifts, the donors, and their generosity to the Rental Assistance Fund through the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation that have totaled \$32,820, and;

**WHEREAS**, transformation of our communities starts with action by a small group of individuals, we will always be thankful for the impact these gifts have made on our City during a time of need.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, VICTORIA R. WOODARDS**, Mayor of the City of Tacoma, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby recognize the individual donors of the Rental Assistance Fund.

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to these donors for their generosity, compassion, and for their love and care of those most vulnerable in our community.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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**Victoria R. Woodards, Mayor**