



LYNNWOOD
W A S H I N G T O N
FIRE DEPARTMENT

July 17, 2013

Dan Fraijo
Fire Chief
Prescott Fire Department
1700 Iron Springs Road
Prescott, Arizona 86305

Dear Chief Fraijo,

Enclosed is the Proclamation from the City of Lynnwood as we honor the nineteen (19) members of the elite Wilderness Firefighting unit of the City of Prescott, Arizona.

I was pleased and honored to be in attendance at the memorial service.

Please know that the Lynnwood Fire Department shares your grief during this difficult time.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. Gates", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Tod Gates
Interim Fire Chief

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, On Sunday, June 30, 2013, nineteen (19) members of an elite wilderness firefighting unit of the City of Prescott, Arizona gave their lives in the line of duty fighting a fire that covered more than 8,000 acres; and

Whereas, The nineteen firefighters who perished were part of a highly trained elite wilderness firefighting unit called the Granite Mountain Hotshots of which there are only 110 such hotshot teams in the country; and

Whereas, It was the greatest loss of firefighters in a single disaster since the attacks of September 11, 2001; and

Whereas, The City of Lynnwood, the State of Washington and the Nation mourn the loss of the firefighters along with the City of Prescott, the State of Arizona and surviving family, friends and co-workers of the fallen firefighters; and

Whereas, On Tuesday, July 9, 2013 a memorial service was held in Prescott, Arizona to honor the nineteen fallen firefighters; and

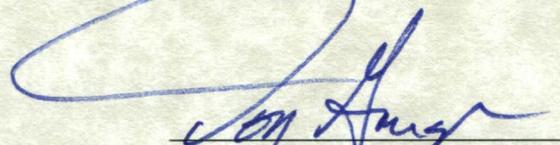
Whereas, The City of Lynnwood was represented at the memorial service by Tod Gates, Interim Fire Chief for the City of Lynnwood; and

Whereas, The City of Lynnwood expresses its appreciation and respect to all firefighters, including members of the City of Lynnwood Fire Department for the dangerous work they do; and

Whereas, Upon learning of the death of the nineteen (19) firefighters, The Mayor immediately directed that city flags be lowered;

Now Therefore, The Mayor does hereby proclaim, and the City Council of the City of Lynnwood does concur, that the City of Lynnwood expresses its condolences to the family, friends and associates of the firefighters that gave their lives in the service of others. Given under my hand and seal of the City of Lynnwood this 15th day of July, 2013




Don Gough, Mayor


Loren Simmonds, Council President