A PROCLAMATION by the Mayor of the City of Bainbridge Island, Washington declaring the week of July 24, 2016 as Climate Change Adaptation Week.

WHEREAS, the climate is changing, impacting both ecosystems and society in a variety of ways; and

WHEREAS, many state and local governments are already preparing for the impacts of climate change through adaptation planning; and

WHEREAS, we need to change the way we conduct our matters of state and business in order to secure a durable future; and

WHEREAS, we need to coordinate our ideas and bring together a community of practice in order to innovate the solutions to this challenge; and

WHEREAS, on this 3rd week of July 2016, the Bainbridge Island Climate Impact Assessment is being shared with our community to help us as we move from awareness of the challenge before us to action on the solutions we develop together; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bainbridge Island is honored to be part of this sustainable future, promoting adaptation throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, we eagerly anticipate and encourage our community to engage in creative discussions and solutions this week to promote climate adaptation in all Island matters and beyond;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Val Tollefson, Mayor of the City of Bainbridge Island, Washington, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of July 24, 2016 as

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION WEEK

SIGNED, this 12th of July, 2016.

Val Tollefson, Mayor