



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, today, we honor the Seattle Thunderbolts on their 2022 national championship win in the Toyota Minor League Cricket (MiLC) Championships; and

WHEREAS, we applaud each player's contributions and celebrate that the team's roster includes numerous Redmond residents, including the captain and vice-captain; and

WHEREAS, more than 400 players took part in the semi-professional tournament representing 26 teams located in 20 cities across the country. The MiLC Championship is the most extensive competition in American cricket and the only nationwide championship; and

WHEREAS, boasting over one billion fans worldwide, cricket is a global sport whose popularity in our region has grown immensely with the influx of new residents from South Asia, the United Kingdom, and the rest of the world; and

WHEREAS, during any given weekend or weeknight, you will find residents of Redmond and surrounding cities enjoying Redmond parks, like Perrigo and Grasslawn parks, playing cricket and teaching it to the next generation of players; and

WHEREAS, on August 28 in Morrisville, North Carolina, our local Seattle Thunderbolts beat the Atlanta Fire to take home the championship trophy and the \$150,000 prize, the largest in American cricket history; and

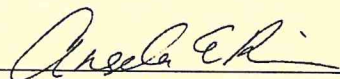
WHEREAS, we look forward to welcoming the Thunderbolts back next year to celebrate again after they defend their national title and continue being tremendous ambassadors for the Pacific Northwest and our region.

THEREFORE, I, ANGELA BIRNEY, Mayor of the City of Redmond, do hereby proclaim October 18, 2022, as,

SEATTLE THUNDERBOLT DAY

in Redmond and encourage all residents to join me in congratulating Seattle's newest national champions.





Angela Birney, Mayor

October 18, 2022

Date