

Proclamation

WHEREAS, on September 15, 1934 Ada Voskuilen was born in Holland; and she and her husband, Case, moved to Lynden in 1960 and have called it home since then; and

WHEREAS, Ada has been involved with the Sinterklaus and Lighted Christmas Parade tradition for many years, including appearing as Zwarte Piet, companion to Sinterlkaus, who Case portrayed, and as Master of Ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, she has been Lynden's Town Ambassador for many years, greeting new residents to the area as one of the Welkom Basket ladies; and

WHEREAS, Ada is part of Sew-n-Sews, a quilting group that provides quilts for the museum raffle, and her quilts have been entered into the Northwest Washington Fair on many occasions; and while helping at the Puget Sound Antique Tractor and Machinery Show, displayed her quilts at that event as well; and

WHEREAS, my wife Cindy and I as Past Mayor and First Lady of Lynden enjoyed participating over the years in many celebrations of the Dutch heritage in which Ada was a key participant, and,

WHEREAS, as a beloved member of the community, Ada Voskuilen steadfastly remains in the hearts and minds of all who have been blessed to know her, as a spirit of love and devotion, and

WHEREAS, Ada turns 80 on September 15, 2014,

NOW, THEREFORE, do I, Whatcom County Executive Jack Louws, proclaim September 15, 2014 as

ADA VOSKUILEN DAY

in Whatcom County and I encourage all citizens to join me in reflecting on her many contributions to our county.

Signed this 14th day of September, 2014.

Jack Louws, County Executive

