

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, unintentional injuries and violence are leading causes of death and disability to U.S. children ages 1 to 18; and
- WHEREAS, injuries and violence are a significant problem in King County and Washington state, with traffic-related crashes being the leading cause of unintentional injury death among Washington's children 1 to 18 years, followed by poisoning and drowning; and
- **WHEREAS**, King County is committed to creating a safe environment that contributes to the health and well-being of our children; and
- WHEREAS, hospitals, state agencies, and community organizations are committed to their crucial role in reducing injuries and death by promoting safe practices; and
- WHEREAS, National Injury Prevention Day raises awareness and promotes efforts to reduce injuries and violence among children; King County commends Harborview Injury Prevention & Research Center, Public Health Seattle & King County, and Seattle Children's and all involved in their endeavor to protect children from injury & violence.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dow Constantine, Executive of King County, do hereby proclaim November 18, 2022 to be

National Injury Prevention Day

in King County. I call upon County residents to join me in observing this important day, to participate fittingly in its observance, and to continue all efforts to reduce the risk of injury and violence in our County, the state, and the nation.



Dow Constantine
King County Executive