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CITY COUNCIL SELECTS COVINGTON'S CITIZEN AWARD WINNERS

Covington, WA – The City of Covington recognizes two outstanding individuals each year as its Citizen of the Year and Honorary Citizen of the Year. Over the past several years, these honored individuals have been volunteers, advocates, ambassadors, dedicated residents and real assets of the City of Covington. This year's recipient of the Covington Citizen of the Year Award is Lauren Ravotti and the recipient of the Honorary Citizen of the Year Award is Judy Swanberg.

After accepting nominations from the public, City Council considered the slate of nominations at their June 25 city council meeting and unanimously selected Lauren and Judy as the honorees.

Lauren was recognized for her contributions as an ambassador for Covington – always showing others what makes Covington special. Lauren has been proactively involved by starting interactive groups and social media pages to promote things to do in and around Covington including promoting the business community, fostering positive dialogue, and highlighting city amenities and community members as well.

Judy was recognized as a longtime area resident who has provided countless hours of service to the community, especially during her time serving with the Covington Lions Club. Judy was chairperson of the Covington Days Festival from 2005-2012, has volunteered with the Covington Domestic Violence Task Force, volunteered at the Covington Tree Lighting and the Hollydaze Craft Bazaar, and also managed the local Lions Club Eyeglass Recycling Program and the Lions Health Mobile.

Lauren and Judy received proclamations from the city council at the July 9 city council meeting, officially declaring Saturday, July 20, 2019 as Lauren Ravotti Day and Sunday, July 21, 2019 as Judy Swanberg Day in the City of Covington. Both honorees will also be recognized at the Covington Days Festival on Saturday, July 20 with a ride in the parade and presentation of their awards at the mainstage at 11:30 a.m.

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