

RESOLUTION 2024 - 14

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON APPROVING  
A PROCLAMATION FOR CESAR CHAVEZ DAY**

**WHEREAS**, Cesar Chavez, a civil rights and labor leader, dedicated his life to fighting for the rights and well-being of farmworkers and laborers across the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Cesar Chavez's unwavering commitment to social justice, equality, and nonviolence inspired people from all walks of life; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Sunnyside recognizes the importance of honoring and remembering the legacy of Cesar Chavez which is the driving force of our economy and the heart of our community, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON**, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The City Council hereby approves a proclamation, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" proclaiming March 31, 2024 as Cesar Chavez Day in the City of Sunnyside.

**SECTION 2.** The City of Sunnyside encourages residents, businesses, and organizations to observe Cesar Chavez Day by engaging in community service, promoting education and awareness, and engaging in activities that promote social justice and equality.

**SECTION 3.** This resolution shall be effective upon passage, approval and signatures hereon in accordance with law.

**PASSED** this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

  
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DEAN BROERSMA, MAYOR

**ATTEST:**

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JACQUELINE RENTERIA, CITY CLERK

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
SAXTON RILEY & RILEY, PLLC**

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BENJAMIN J. RILEY  
ATTORNEYS FOR THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE

# City of Sunnyside, Washington



**WHEREAS**, César Estrada Chávez, born on March 31, 1927, dedicated his life to improving the treatment, pay, and working conditions for farm workers; and

**WHEREAS**, César Chávez co-founded the National Farm Workers Association, which later became the United Farm Workers (UFW), and his leadership was pivotal in the American labor movement; and

**WHEREAS**, Chávez's non-violent approach—emphasizing strikes, boycotts, marches, and fasts—changed the nature of labor activism and underscored the importance of community involvement in securing rights and respect for workers; and

**WHEREAS**, César Chávez's work transcended agricultural labor to advocate for environmental justice, women's rights, and nondiscrimination on the basis of race or nationality, making him a broader civil rights leader; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Sunnyside, Washington, recognizes the importance of acknowledging the contributions of all individuals who have worked to promote justice and equality; and

**WHEREAS**, the principles of respect for others, service to the community, and social justice championed by César Chávez are reflective of the values we hold in Sunnyside as migrant farmworkers are the driving force of our economy and the heart of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to honor the achievements and contributions of César Chávez to our community and our nation by designating March 31 as Cesar Chavez Day in the City of Sunnyside, Washington;

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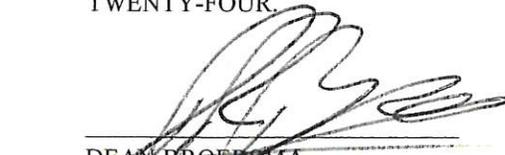
***N**OW THEREFORE, I, Dean Broersma, Mayor of the City of Sunnyside, Washington, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Washington and on behalf of the Sunnyside City Council do hereby proclaim, Sunday, March 31, 2024 as*

## ***“César Chávez Day”***

*in the City of Sunnyside and urge all citizens to celebrate this day in recognition of the legacy of César Chávez, to reflect on the enduring importance of labor rights, and to continue striving for justice for all workers.*



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT SUNNYSIDE THIS 25TH DAY OF MARCH IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FOUR.

  
DEAN BROERSMA  
MAYOR OF SUNNYSIDE