



Proclamation



SPEED WEEK 2019

WHEREAS, since 1954 the Evergreen Speedway at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds in Monroe, Washington, has been woven into the fabric of our community, providing a venue for drivers and enthusiasts to experience motorsport events and auto racing; and

WHEREAS, the Evergreen Speedway includes: grandstands, paved 5/8th, newly repaved 3/8th mile oval, and 1/5th-mile ovals, a figure eight track, motocross, road courses, karting, and a 1/8th-mile drag strip; and

WHEREAS, the Evergreen Speedway is Washington's only NASCAR Home Track, is known as the "Super Speedway of the West," and has been named one of NASCAR's Top Ten Short Tracks in the country for the past five years; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the Evergreen Speedway celebrates *SPEED WEEK* from June 24th through June 30th, which features a number of racing and race-related events including the Summer Showdown; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Summer Showdown, to be held June 29th and June 30th, is the largest and richest NASCAR sanctioned Short Track Event in the country; and

WHEREAS, the Summer Showdown not only attracts the top Super Late models in the Western United States, it also brings nationally acclaimed drivers from as far away as North Carolina, Texas, Georgia, and Florida; and

WHEREAS, over fifty Super Late Model Drivers will be battling for the twenty-five thousand dollar first prize award, and over one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars will be distributed in total prize money; and

WHEREAS, Speed51.com has named the Summer Showdown as one of the Top Ten Must See Short Track Races in the country in 2017, and *Speedway Illustrated* has named the Summer Showdown one of the Top Ten Bucket List Short Track Events to Attend in America.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Geoffrey Thomas, proclaim the week of June 24, through June 30, 2019, as

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and encourage Monroe's residents and businesses to celebrate Monroe's racing history by attending the exciting events being held at the Evergreen Speedway.

Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor