



Denis Law Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas, the City of Renton celebrates and supports our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community;

Whereas, it is important for people to support the small businesses that they value in their community; and

Whereas, Garland Jewelers has one of the oldest business licenses in the downtown area issued on March 18, 1953; and

Whereas, Garland Jewelers has operated in the same downtown Renton building since 1954 and is a memorial of that almost-bygone era; and

Whereas, Garland Jewelers has been one of few independent jewelry stores to survive an industry that is essentially dominated by large chain stores located at the malls; and

Whereas, Gary Slotnik has kept the family tradition of selling, repairing, and appraising fine jewelry alive since the purchase of the store from his father, Jack Slotnik, in 1985; and

Whereas, Garland Jewelers in downtown Renton has made the decision to close its doors after 65 years under Slotnik ownership; and

Whereas, the legacy of Garland Jewelers and the dedication of the Slotnik family to the vitality of Downtown Renton are worthy of recognition for their contributions to the community.

Now, therefore, I, Denis Law, Mayor of the City of Renton, do hereby proclaim February 11, 2019, to be

Garland Jewelers Day

in the City of Renton, and I encourage all citizens to join me in this special observance.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Renton to be affixed this 11th day of February, 2019.

Denis Law, Mayor
City of Renton, Washington

