

Dear _____ Conference Attendees:

It is my honor to welcome The ______Association to Bellevue, Washington for your convention. I hope that you enjoy your stay and have some time to explore what our thriving community has to offer.

Known as a "City in a Park" with nearly 80 parks and a vast network of trails and greenbelts, Bellevue is the fifth largest city in Washington state. The Eastside city spans 33.5 square miles, from Lake Washington to Lake Sammamish.

Bellevue is the high-tech and retail center with a downtown skyline of gleaming high-rises, a diverse population of approximately 152,000 and schools that are consistently rated among the best in the country.

I encourage you to enjoy our amenities, distinctive shopping, dining, nightlife and community attractions – all within walking distance. Both Downtown Park and Meydenbauer Bay Park, located in the downtown area, offer green space in the midst of the hustle and bustle of the city.

I also recommend our award-winning restaurants such as _____

We hope you have a chance to sample Bellevue's hospitality and explore the beautiful Puget Sound region during your stay. On behalf of the City of Bellevue, I wish you a memorable, productive convention.

Sincerely,

Mayor Lynne Robinson