WHEREAS, Seattle's global development sector is a leading international force making important contributions in the areas of global health, poverty alleviation, environmental sustainability and education; and

WHEREAS, global development organizations headquartered in Seattle contribute to the local economy and improve conditions abroad through partnerships, activities and investments that benefit the social, economic, health and environmental conditions in some of the world's poorest countries; and

WHEREAS, these organizations help create jobs locally and abroad, spur innovative businesses and attract employees from around the world to Seattle; and

WHEREAS, the programs and services offered contribute significantly to meeting the challenging development needs around the world and include: direct services, community development, education and training, research, advocacy, product development, corporate citizenship and philanthropy; and

WHEREAS, Seattle residents value contribution and investments to make the world a more equitable, secure, prosperous, and sustainable place to live for all,

NOW, therefore, I Mike McGinn, mayor of the city of Seattle, do hereby recognize November 1, 2011, 11.1.11, as

Global Action Day

in the City of Seattle and urge all to celebrate the accomplishments, innovation, leadership and impact of Seattle's global development sector for the betterment of the world.

Michael McGinn
Mayor