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AMERICAN CRUISE LINES VISITS POULSBO AS A POTENITAL NEXT PORT OF CALL

Poulsbo, WA — The Port of Poulsbo was honored to welcome the cruise ship American Constellation on Tuesday as part of an exploratory visit by <u>American Cruise Lines</u>.

American Cruise Lines is a family-owned company specializing in small-scale regional cruises. Their round-trip itineraries from Seattle visit beloved Northwest destinations such as the San Juan Islands, Port Townsend, Port Angeles, and Anacortes. Onboard historians and cultural guides provide up to 180 passengers with an engaging introduction to the rich history, wildlife, and ecology of the Pacific Northwest.

The American Constellation visit to the recently upgraded Poulsbo Marina breakwater was the first step to investigate establishing Poulsbo as the possible newest port of call in its Puget Sound cruising itinerary. The 278-foot vessel slipped quietly into Liberty Bay, greeted by calm waters, beautiful fall colors, and curious harbor seals peeking up to witness the arrival.

"The American Cruise Line ships are a perfect match for our small waterfront community," said James Weaver, Port Manager. "The small ship local cruises bring a welcome boost to our local economy while requiring minimal infrastructure or parking. Visitors to our unique 'Little Norway' downtown would take-home wonderful memories—and most likely plenty of souvenirs—from their special time stopping in Poulsbo.

The Port of Poulsbo is continuing to collaborate with American Cruise Lines as they explore future expansion plans and the introduction of new vessels anticipated for the upcoming 2027 or 2028 cruising seasons.

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