



**SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
SNOHOMISH COUNTY EXECUTIVE
Snohomish County, Washington**

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21-014

**A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL AND
COUNTY EXECUTIVE OBSERVING APRIL 28, 2021, AS
WORKERS MEMORIAL DAY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) went into effect in April of 1971 making American workplaces much safer; however, one life lost is one too many; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County observes Workers Memorial Day as a day to remember those who have suffered and died on the job; and

WHEREAS, annually in Washington, workers' lives are claimed by illness, disease, and traumatic injuries sustained on their jobs; and

WHEREAS, each day, an average of 14 workers are killed due to workplace injuries in the United States and tens of thousands of Americans with workplace injuries or illness become permanently disabled; and

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, many thousands of frontline and essential workers, most significantly within the health care industry, lost their lives to the Coronavirus while providing the very services that allowed our communities to function during such unprecedented, trying times; and

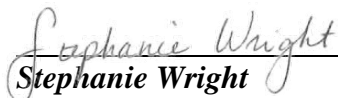
WHEREAS, Snohomish County is dedicated to improving workplace safety, health standards, and enforcement; and


WHEREAS, Snohomish County urges employers everywhere to treat workers with dignity and pursue constant improvements in worker safety; and

WHEREAS, by observing Workers Memorial Day we honor and remember victims of workplace injuries and disease;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Snohomish County Council and Snohomish County Executive do hereby recognize April 28, 2021, as Workers Memorial Day. The annual Snohomish County Workers Memorial Ceremony honors those workers who were lost in the last year to workplace violence, accidents and illnesses. Normally this ceremony is held at the Snohomish County Workers Memorial, at the corner of Wetmore and Pacific in Everett, but because of COVID-19 restrictions, this event may be held virtually at 5PM, please register in advance at the following Zoom [link](#). Video of the 2020 ceremony is posted online and linked [here](#), please watch and remember the victims of workplace injuries and diseases and urge employers everywhere to pursue constant improvements in worker safety.

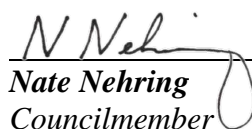
APPROVED this 28th day of April, 2021.



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Council Chair



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