



SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

RESOLUTION NO. 23-047

**A RESOLUTION OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL RECOGNIZING
ADAM FORTNEY'S SERVICE TO SNOHOMISH COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Adam Fortney served as the Snohomish County Sheriff from 2020–2023; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office motto is Lead the Way and the Sheriff's Office works to serve and protect Snohomish County; and

WHEREAS, raised in Brier, Washington, Adam attended Brier Elementary School, Brier Terrace Middle School, Mountlake Terrace High School and graduated from Lynnwood High School. He joined the U.S. Navy right out of high school and served for one enlistment. Adam has been with the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office since September of 1996 where he has worked patrol, SWAT Team, Honor Guard, K-9 unit, patrol sergeant and is the longest serving president of the Snohomish County Deputy Sheriffs Association where he was elected by his peers 5 times and served 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Fortney led the Sheriff's Office and Corrections Bureau during the unprecedented years of COVID 19; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Fortney led his organization through the Executive's initiative to implement body worn cameras by the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership the Sheriff's Office entered into a contract for Domestic Violence Coordinators to help fill a gap in domestic violence victim services in law and justice system; and

WHEREAS, Adam successfully implemented an eight-week LEAD the Way program for youth ages 13-17, focusing on life skills, decision making, accountability, and leadership to help steer youth in vulnerable situations; and

WHEREAS, Adam takes pride in his family and enjoys spending time with his wife Jill, their eight children, and three grandchildren;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Snohomish County Council does hereby recognize and appreciate Adam Fortney for his leadership and dedication to Snohomish County.

APPROVED this 12th day of December, 2023.

Jared Mead
Council Chair

Sam Low
Councilmember

Strom Peterson
Councilmember

Nate Nehring
Council Vice-Chair

Megan Dunn
Councilmember

ATTEST:

Elena Lao, CMC
Deputy Clerk of the Council