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TO: Megan Dunn, Snohomish County Council Chair

FROM: Dave Somers, Snohomish County Executive

SUBJECT: Airport Commission, New Appointment

DATE: July 6, 2026

Airport Commission member Mr. Tom Hoban, representing the County At-Large, has met his term limit for Commission.

To replace Mr. Hoban, I am pleased to recommend Mr. Zhibin (Harrison) Yang. Mr. Yang currently leads the development of the sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) testing and repository facilities at Paine Field Snohomish County Airport (PAE) and is a Research Assistant Professor at Western Washington University (WSU) Tri-Cities. He specializes in SAF and works daily with aircraft manufacturers and the aviation community at PAE. Mr. Yang brings a wealth of technical knowledge and community perspective on airport operation, planning, and SAF infrastructure. Additionally, Mr. Yang also holds a Private Pilot Certificate.

Pursuant to SCC 2.03.030, I hereby recommend Mr. Yang to fill the position vacated by Mr. Hoban representing the County At-Large for a term of four years.

Thank you for considering my recommendation.