

## SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

## RESOLUTION NO. 25-010

## A RESOLUTION OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL RECOGNIZING APRIL 19, 2025, AS CDH AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, a Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH) is often a life-threatening birth defect, which hinders the growth of the lungs; and

WHEREAS, CDH is a gap in the diaphragm that allows the abdominal organs to push into the chest cavity, crowding the lungs and affecting normal development, possibly resulting in respiratory and other complications; and

**WHEREAS,** CDH occurs in approximately 1 in 2,500 live births in the United States; and accounts for 8% of all major congenital anomalies; and

WHEREAS, proactive diagnosis and appropriate management of fetuses with CDH decreases the incidence of emergency situations, dramatically improving survival rates; and

**WHEREAS,** there is a need to educate the public about Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Awareness and raise funds for research; and

WHEREAS, CDH Awareness Day provides an opportunity for families whose lives have been affected to celebrate life and to remember loved ones lost, to honor dedicated health professionals, and to meet others so they know they are not alone; and

WHEREAS, CDH Awareness Day provides the opportunity to share experiences and information with the public and the media in order to raise awareness about this birth defect; and

WHEREAS, April 19, 2025, is recognized internationally as CDH Awareness Day;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Snohomish County Council recognizes April 19, 2025, as CDH Awareness Day and urges residents to learn more about this condition while supporting those who are affected.

APPROVED this 16th day of April 2025.

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ATTEST:

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