



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

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-028**

**RECOGNIZING MAY 17, 2024, AS NORWEGIAN CONSTITUTION DAY  
IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY**

*WHEREAS, there are more people of Norwegian descent living in the United States than in Norway itself; and*

*WHEREAS, more than 7 percent of Snohomish County's population claims Norwegian as their heritage; and*

*WHEREAS, the Norwegian-American community has had an enduring impact on our culture and our community in Snohomish County; and*

*WHEREAS, the Norwegian community takes great pride in its heritage, culture, and ethnic background, which serves as a means to better understand and appreciate cultures of other nations; and*

*WHEREAS, Norway and Norwegians will continue to have strong bonds to Snohomish County; and*

*WHEREAS, the constitution, declaring Norway an independent nation, was signed at Eidsvoll, Norway on May 17, 1814; and*

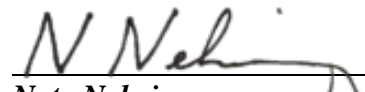
*WHEREAS, Norwegian Constitution Day is the official National Day of Norway. Among Norwegians, it is celebrated as "Syttende Mai" (17<sup>th</sup> of May) or Grunnlovsdagen (The Constitution Day); and*

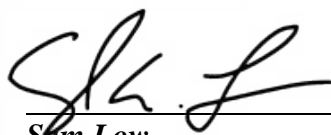
*WHEREAS, Norwegians all over the world celebrate the 17<sup>th</sup> of May with parades, speeches, and other festivities;*

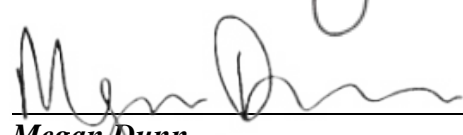
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Snohomish County Council does hereby recognize May 17, 2024, as Norwegian Constitution Day and Celebrate Norwegian Heritage Day in Snohomish County. The County Council encourages everyone in our county to join us in this special observance.

**APPROVED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.


  
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**Jared Mead**  
Council Chair

  
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**Nate Nehring**  
Council Vice-Chair

  
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**Sam Low**  
Councilmember

  
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**Megan Dunn**  
Councilmember

  
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**Strom Peterson**  
Councilmember

ATTEST:   
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**Elena Lao, CMC**  
Deputy Clerk of the Council