## SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

## **MOTION NO. 24-282**

## APPROVING AWARD OF COUNCIL PROJECT FUNDS FOR FOOD BANK COSTS

WHEREAS, in Ordinance 22-001, the Council appropriated \$5,000,000 for "Council Projects;" and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic exposed weaknesses in systemic availability and access to resources and connections necessary to lead healthy, stable and independent lives; and

WHEREAS, food insecurity rose significantly throughout the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, serving low-income households, Hope Creek Charitable Foundation operates the Mill Creek Community Food Bank, they provided over 740,000 pounds of food in 2023 and project that number to increase by 20-30% in 2024; and

WHEREAS, funding for Hope Creek Charitable Foundation for an amount not to exceed \$350,000 is a Council Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON MOTION, the Snohomish County Council approves the agreement between Snohomish County and Hope Creek Charitable Foundation.

PASSED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

Jared Mead
Council Chair

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Council