

MEMORANDUM

TO: Megan Dunn, Snohomish County Council Chair

FROM: Dave Somers, Snohomish County Executive

DATE: March 11, 2022

RE: Appointment of Charles Adkins to the Snohomish County Children's Commission

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Charles Adkins to the Snohomish County Children's Commission to serve an initial four-year term.

Charles Adkins resides in Council District 2. Charles is the Children's Alliance Health Policy Director, managing the Health Policy Advocacy Portfolio. Charles is an advocate for children's healthcare and nutrition with an education that includes a B.A. with an emphasis in Tribal Administration. Charles is an enrolled tribal member.

The Children's Commission was created to advise the County on "issues of health, safety and social services for infants, young children and youth in the community." It is composed of 25 members, including at least two youth commissioners. Three members are appointed from each council district, while the remaining ten at-large appointees may reside anywhere within the county. Commissioners serve four-year terms with the exception of youth commissioners, who serve one-year terms. Commissioners may not serve more than three consecutive terms. The Snohomish County Children's Commission currently has 8 members and 17 vacancies. Human Services staff and the Commission are actively engaged in recruitment to fill vacancies.

Pursuant to SCC 2.03.030, I recommend Council confirmation of Charles Adkins to be appointed to the Snohomish County Children's Commission to serve an initial four-year term.

Thank you for your consideration.