SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

RESOLUTION NO. 22-070

RECOGNIZING DECEMBER 21, 2022, AS
NATIONAL HOMELESS PERSONS' MEMORIAL DAY
IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

WHEREAS, since 2011, Snohomish County has participated in National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day which serves to raise awareness of our neighbors without shelter in our community and to remember and honor those who have died while homeless during the year; and

WHEREAS, the vigil is held on December 21, the longest night of the year, and is sponsored by the Snohomish County Veterans Homelessness Committee; and

WHEREAS, during Snohomish County's 2022 Annual Point in Time (PIT) Count, 1,184 persons did not have a permanent place to stay; and

WHEREAS, of the individuals who were counted, 46 people were unsheltered veterans, 72 were unaccompanied youth and young adults, 467 adults with a serious mental illness, and 137 adult survivors of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, December 21st at 5:15 at the County Courthouse Amphitheater, Snohomish County Veterans Homelessness Committee is hosting the 12th Annual National Homeless Memorial Day Candlelight Vigil, which will include a tribute to Veterans. If you know of anyone who has lost their life while homeless, please contact Michael Salceda at michael.salceda@snoco.org; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County is committed to helping all people meet their basic needs and develop their potential through providing social and human services to those in need;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Snohomish County Council does hereby recognize December 21, 2022, as National Homeless Memorial Day in Snohomish County. All residents and visitors are welcome to join Snohomish County Government in honoring our neighbors who have lost their lives while homeless in our community.

APPROVED this 14th day of December, 2022.

Megan Dunn
Council Chair

Jared Mead
Council Vice-Chair

Sam Low
Councilmember

Nate Nehring
Councilmember

Strom Peterson
Councilmember

ATTEST:
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Asst. Clerk of the Council