

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 24-052

RECOGNIZING DECEMBER 10, 2024, AS HUMAN RIGHTS DAY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

WHEREAS, Human Rights Day is observed every year on December 10th, the day in 1948 the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and

WHEREAS, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights is a milestone document which proclaimed the inalienable rights which every person is inherently entitled to as a human being, regardless of their race, color, religion, sex, language, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, or birth or other status; and

WHEREAS, 2024 marks the 76th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights; and

WHEREAS, the theme for 2024 is: Our Rights, Our Future, Right Now; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Human Rights Commission serves to prevent and eliminate discrimination through the fair application of the law, efficient use of resources, and the establishment of productive partnerships in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Human Rights Commission was established in 2010 and serves as an advisory body to the County Executive, County Council, Washington State Human Rights Commission and other county officers and agencies in matters concerning human rights; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County strives to be a welcoming and inclusive county in which every person's human rights are respected, protected, and valued; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Human Rights Commission continues working to reaffirm the inherent dignity and inalienable rights of all members of the human family as the foundation of freedom, justice and peace; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Human Rights Commission hosted the first International Human Rights Day Celebration in 2012, and has recognized and honored contributions from human rights advocates and organizations in the community since 2016; and

WHEREAS, in observance of Human Rights Day, the Snohomish County Human Rights Commission will host a screening of the documentary "A Decent Home," continuing a monthly series of movie nights focused on the Commission's 2024 priorities of housing, food insecurity, refugee and immigrant communities, and healthcare. The event will be at 6 p.m., Thursday, December 19, at the Everett Public Library's Evergreen Way location;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Snohomish County Council does hereby recognize December 10, 2024, as Human Rights Day in Snohomish County.

APPROVED this 10th day of December, 2024.

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ATTEST: Elena Lao, CMC

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