

## SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

## RESOLUTION NO. 23-013

## RECOGNIZING APRIL 28, 2023, AS WORKERS' MEMORIAL DAY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), a U.S. labor law to assure safe and healthful working conditions in both the public and private sectors, was enacted in 1971; and

**WHEREAS**, despite the Occupational Safety and Health Act, workers are lost each year to workplace injuries and occupational diseases and many more are left ill, injured, or permanently disabled; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County reaffirms its commitment to improve workplace safety and to encourage all employers to create safer, healthier work environments; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County residents can honor our workers by observing Workers' Memorial Day as a day to remember the victims of workplace injuries and diseases and to rededicate ourselves to improving the safety and health conditions of all workplaces; and

**WHEREAS,** Workers' Memorial Day serves as an opportunity to highlight the preventable nature of many workplace incidences and ill health and to promote union organization around improvements in workplace safety; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish and Island County Labor Council is holding an observance at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, at the Mission Building Courtyard located on the Snohomish County Campus in Everett;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** Snohomish County Council does hereby recognize April 28, 2023, to be Workers' Memorial Day in Snohomish County and call upon the people of Snohomish County to unite as we remember workers injured and lost to workplace injuries or illnesses and support the creation of safer, healthier work environments.

APPROVED this 26th day of April, 2023.

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