

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 25-047

RECOGNIZING DECEMBER 21, 2025, 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 21st, the longest night of the year, and is sponsored by the Snohomish County Veterans Homelessness Committee; and

WHEREAS, during Snohomish County's 2025 Annual Point in Time (PIT) Count, 1,140 persons did not have a permanent place to stay; representing a decrease of 21 people from 2024; and

WHEREAS, of the individuals who were counted, 41 people were unsheltered veterans, 68 were unaccompanied youth and young adults, 446 were adults with a serious mental illness, and 76 were adult survivors of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, in Snohomish County 91 individuals identified as homeless passed away in 2023, and 82 in 2024, these deaths impact our community, and the heartbreaking losses will be remembered; and

WHEREAS, on December 19th at 5:15 p.m. at the Snohomish County Outdoor Amphitheater, the Snohomish County Veterans Homelessness Committee is hosting the 15th Annual National Homeless Memorial Day Candlelight Vigil, with a special Veterans' salute; 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, the Snohomish County Council does hereby recognize December 21, 2025, as National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day in Snohomish County. All residents and visitors are welcome to join Snohomish County in honoring our neighbors who have lost their lives while homeless in our community.

APPROVED this	day of	, 2025.	
Nate Nehring Council Chair		Megan Dunn Council Vice-Chair	
Sam Low Councilmember		Jared Mead Councilmember	
Strom Peterson Councilmember		TTEST: Elena Lao, CMC	

Deputy Clerk of the Council