SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

RESOLUTION NO. 22-048

RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2022 AS DISASTER PREPAREDNESS MONTH IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month was started in 2004 as an effort to educate and empower individuals, families, and communities to prepare for emergencies and disasters; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County has experienced emergency and disaster events such as flood events, windstorms, mudslides, fires, and earthquakes in the past and is likely to experience similar events in the future; and

WHEREAS, first responders may not have the ability to reach all areas quickly during disasters, and the most important measure that individuals and communities can take is to prepare to take care of themselves in the immediate aftermath of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, communities that prepare for emergencies and disasters together increase their ability to survive and prevail in challenging and dangerous emergency and disaster situations; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County's Department of Emergency Management coordinates preparedness and training activities for city and county staff, first responders, partner agencies, and community members annually; and

WHEREAS, all who live, work, and play are encouraged to participate in the Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management's "Individually Prepared, Together Resilient" campaign and become a positive influence on their communities by encouraging friends, family, and co-workers to Make a Plan, Build a Kit, Stay Informed, and Get Involved;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Snohomish County Council does hereby recognize September 2022 as Disaster Preparedness Month in Snohomish County. All residents and visitors are welcome to join Snohomish County Government in recognizing the importance of emergency preparedness and working to enhance resiliency and readiness.

APPROVED this 31ˢᵗ day of August, 2022.

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ATTEST:

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