

Snohomish County Human Services

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MEMORANDUM

Date:

To: Megan Dunn, Chair, Snohomish County Council

From: Dave Somers, Snohomish County Executive

Re: Snohomish County Council on Aging

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Tony Lazaro to serve a first term on the Snohomish County Council on Aging.

The Snohomish County Human Services Department, Division of Aging and Disability Services, Long-Term Care & Aging, is the Area Agency on Aging for Snohomish County. As such, the Long-Term Care & Aging unit receives and administers federal Older Americans Act funds. A requirement of the Older Americans Act is that Area Agencies on Aging establish advisory boards, which advises and informs their local Area Agency on Aging regarding the delivery of community-based services. Snohomish County Code 2.03 authorizes the County Executive to appoint and the County Council to confirm appointments to the Council on Aging.

The Council on Aging is comprised of individuals who represent various age, gender, ethnic, and employment backgrounds from each of the five geographic council districts.

Tony Lazaro is a veteran of the Indian Navy. After his retirement from the Indian Navy, he emigrated to the United States, where he entered academia, and earned a PhD in Engineering. Over the past near 30 years, Mr. Lazaro had been a professor of Engineering and recently retired as the Dean of Engineering at St. Martin's University. In his retirement, Mr. Lazaro has delved into community engagement work, sitting on the Board of Directors for the Edmonds Senior Center. Previously, Tony also served on the Board of Directors for the South Sound Senior Center in Olympia.

Pursuant to SCC 2.03.030, I hereby urge Council confirmation of Tony Lazaro, to be appointed to the Council on Aging to serve a full-term ending September 30th, 2025.