

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF CONTINUING)
ESSENTIAL COUNTY OPERATIONS IN) RESOLUTION NO. C-29-20
COMPLIANCE WITH THE “STAY HOME,)
STAY HEALTHY” PROCLAMATION)**

WHEREAS, the Board of Island County Commissioners must take action to slow the transmission of COVID-19 in order to protect our employees and citizens and mitigate the impact on our healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Island County Commissioners previously delegated authority to the County’s emergency team to respond quickly to a rapidly changing environment; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Governor issued the “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” Proclamation 20-25 on March 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Governor designated “Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers” who protect communities, while ensuring continuity of functions critical to public health and safety, as well as economic and national security; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Island County Commissioners intends to comply with the “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” proclamation by having essential personnel, as defined in the Governor’s directive, continue to provide the identified essential services while also protecting their health and safety;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Island County employees are public servants with the responsibility to serve the public in good times and challenging times; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, all employees designated as essential who are healthy are expected to continue to perform their assigned duties, whether their work is done in County facilities or at home; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, employees whose work has not been designated essential shall be available for reassignment to other departments or emergency operations during the entire March 25 – April 6 period on a flexible schedule basis, and as necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that employees whose work has not been designated as essential will stay at home and telework where possible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that employees whose work has not been designated as essential and who cannot telework shall be placed on paid Administrative Leave from March 25 through April 6; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that public access to County office buildings is closed but contact may be made electronically or telephonically, and all non-essential meetings are canceled March 25 through April 6, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Emergency Administrative Leads have been given the authority to work with Department Heads and Elected Officials to implement the actions necessary for Island County to comply with the “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” Proclamation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution applies during the effective dates of the Stay Home, Stay Healthy Proclamation (March 25, 2020 – April 6, 2020) and until such later date as may be amended by the Board of Island County Commissioners.

ADOPTED this 24th day of March, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Janet St. Clair, Chair

Helen Price Johnson, Member

Jill Johnson, Member

ATTEST:

Debbie Thompson, Clerk of the Board