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STATEMENT REGARDING COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS)

Island County, March 30, 2020:

Island County Public Health has received notice that two of the positive coronavirus cases associated with the Careage of Whidbey COVID-19 outbreak have sadly passed away. We offer our condolences to the families and friends as they grieve this loss.

There are currently 106 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Island County. 44 of these cases are associated with the outbreak at Careage of Whidbey in Coupeville, in both residents and staff. Public Health is not investigating any other outbreaks associated with long-term care facilities or specific locations at this time.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19) cases are now spread widely throughout Island County. All residents must take urgent action to help minimize the health impacts of COVID-19. The Governor’s Stay Home, Stay Healthy order applies to our entire community, in all locations, on both Camano and Whidbey Islands.

For additional support and information:

WA State Department of Health – www.doh.wa.gov/emergencies/coronavirus. Call Center # 1.800.525.0127, Sunday through Saturday (6:00am – 10:00pm)

Island County Public Health – www.islandcountywa.gov/Health/Pages/COVID-19.aspx Call Center # 360.678.2301, Mondays through Fridays (8:00am – 4:30pm), Saturdays and Sundays (9:00am – 4:00pm)