

PROCLAMATION/RESOLUTION NO. 044 - 2022
National County Government Month - April 2022
"Counties THRIVE"

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,069 counties, parishes and boroughs serving more than 315 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe and vibrant communities; and

WHEREAS, counties provide public health services, administer justice, keep communities safe, foster economic opportunities and much more; and

WHEREAS, Kitsap County and all counties take pride in our responsibility to protect and enhance the health, wellbeing and safety of our residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of National Association of Counties President Larry Johnson, NACo is demonstrating how "Counties THRIVE," especially in supporting residents and businesses during the coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to elevate awareness of county responsibilities, programs and services; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to bolster civic education and educate communities on the role of county government, the National Association of Counties (NACo) is launching the 2022 "I Love My County Because" art contest in conjunction with National County Government Month; and

WHEREAS, NACo and county leaders are spreading the word about county roles and responsibilities, which are often unknown or misunderstood. By inviting children and young adults ages 18 and under to create artwork for the 2023 "Counties Matter" calendar, NACo hopes to raise awareness about programs and services that impact people's lives every day; and

WHEREAS, winning artwork will be featured in a NACo calendar, which will be distributed to NACo members nationwide. Winners will also be announced in NACo's flagship publication, County News, and their artwork will be displayed at NACo's headquarters in Washington, D.C.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 2022 as National County Government Month in Kitsap County and encourage all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

Adopted this 28th day of March 2022.



ATTEST:

Dana Daniels

Dana Daniels, Clerk of the Board

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