

## RESOLUTION/PROCLAMATION NO. 065 -2025

## KITSAP COUNTY VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK

WHEREAS, volunteers are a valuable resource in Kitsap County, contributing to the cost effectiveness of government operations and positively impacting the health and well-being of our communities, making the county a better place to live, work and play for all; and

WHEREAS, county volunteers strengthen the democratic process by participating on county advisory groups where they provide vital input, funding recommendations, shape policy and plans, and work to solve community problems; and

WHEREAS, volunteering provides opportunities to develop and sharpen skills, explore new interests, meet a diverse range of people, follow workforce development pathways, network professionally and within the community, and improve mental and physical health; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Kitsap County residents volunteer their time, skills and expertise as parks stewards, natural resource docents, Adopt-A-Spot volunteers, long-term care ombuds, advisory group members, Citizens On Patrol and emergency responders; and

WHEREAS, since 1974, National Volunteer Week has been recognized to celebrate the impact of volunteer service in helping make our communities vibrant, engaged, connected and resilient while inspiring others to get involved; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week is celebrated April 20-26, 2025 and the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners takes this opportunity to recognize, honor and thank the thousands of Kitsap County Government Volunteers for their selfless dedication and valuable contributions of time, expertise and talent.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims April 20-26, 2025 as *Kitsap County Volunteer Appreciation Week*.

Adopted this 14th day of April 2025

COMMISSION ON THE STATE OF COUNTY AND COUNTY

ATTEST.

Dana Daniels, Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS KERSAP COUNTY, WASHINGTON

CHRISTINE ROLFES, Chair

ORAN ROOT, Commissioner

KATHERINE T. WALTERS, Commissioner