

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 08-04

A RESOLUTION honoring Clark County's local public health employees and health care workers for their COVID-19 pandemic work.

WHEREAS, Clark County Public Health is comprised of public health nurses, epidemiologists, community health educators, environmental health workers, and others; and

WHEREAS, the pandemic caused by the spread of the novel coronavirus 2019, and the disease caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19) has created significant disruption throughout our county; and

WHEREAS, the spread of COVID-19 poses significant risks to everyone in our community; and

WHEREAS, local public health officials who serve in Clark County are working tirelessly to ensure COVID-19 is contained, traced, tracked, and treated in a manner to limit the spread of this deadly infection; and

WHEREAS, our county's health care workers are similarly working tirelessly to provide necessary health care to all, including those with COVID-19, even during shortages of critical PPE; and

WHEREAS local public health officials and health care workers perform their work, at times, with the risk of exposing themselves and their family of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, local public health officials and our entire health care system are working to provide crucial data and support so that scientists and medical experts can work to develop treatments, cures, and vaccines for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, local public health officials are the frontline personnel implementing Washington state orders, proclamations, and directives, including difficult directives that prevented family members from visiting their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, even though local public health officials are routinely subjected to harassment and hostility by members of their communities who do not want to follow the Safe Start Guidelines and local Health Officer's orders, those officials continue to work with integrity and focus on reducing the community spread of deadly COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the heroic efforts and sacrifices of our local public health officials and health care workers are deserving of acknowledgment and appreciation;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED BY THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL, STATE OF WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Clark County Council expresses great appreciation and heartfelt gratitude to our local public health officials and health care workers for their selfless sacrifices and efforts to combat and respond to the unprecedented challenges facing our communities as a result of COVID-19; and

Section 2. The Clark County Council recognizes the value and dedication of our local public health officials and health care workers to the viability, economy, safety, security, and well-being in our community, both through their outstanding performance during this pandemic and through their general ongoing work to keep our residents healthy and our communities vibrant and thriving.

ADOPTED on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL  
CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Attest:

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Clerk to the Council

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Eileen Quiring, Chair

Approved as to Form Only:  
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