

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022 - \_\_\_\_\_**

**Subject:** EMERGENCY DECLARATION BY ONE COMMISSIONER

**WHEREAS**, RCW 38.52.070 provides certain emergency powers and procedures to local jurisdictions and government officials to protect the health and safety of persons and property in the face of disaster, and;

**WHEREAS**, these powers may be exercised under this section in light of the exigencies of an extreme emergency situation without time-consuming procedures and formalities, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Chelan County Commissioners have concluded that requiring an official declaration of an emergency be made by a quorum of the Commissioners during session or a special meeting is a time consuming formality that is not in the best interest of County Citizens;

**WHEREAS**, any one of the three seated Commissioners of Chelan County, after receiving the counsel of Public Safety Officers' or Emergency Management Personnel, may proclaim that a state of emergency exists within Chelan County;

**WHEREAS**, During the evening of January 5<sup>th</sup> and morning of January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022; Chelan County experienced a winter storm bringing record breaking amounts of snow throughout the county.

**WHEREAS**, As of 0600 on January 6<sup>th</sup>, SR2 from Milepost 99 to the Summit of Stevens Pass, SR97 from Milepost 177 to the summit of Blewett Pass, and SR97A from Navarre Coulee Road to South Lakeshore Road are closed indefinitely due to avalanche danger and obstructed roadways. Chelan County roads impacted are Mission Creek Road from Milepost 4, Mills Canyon Road from Milepost .3, and Entiat River Road from Milepost 11 are all inaccessible. Many other roads throughout the county have hazardous conditions.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Chelan County Commissioners hereby declare a disaster in Chelan County known as the 2022 Winter Storm;

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022.

BOARD OF CHELAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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