

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A Resolution in Support of the Free and Safe Expression of First Amendment Rights for the Arlington LGBTQIA+ Community and Pride Events in Snohomish County

WHEREAS, the City of Everett prioritizes safety for its residents and has proclaimed to be a safe and welcoming place for all, and

WHEREAS, the City of Arlington prioritizes safety for its residents and has proclaimed to be a safe and welcoming place for all, and

WHEREAS, the Arlington LGBTQIA+ community has asked for support to ensure the safety of their community and attendees at their upcoming Arlington Pride events, and

WHEREAS, we all strive to create a Snohomish County that stands as a shining example of equality and inclusivity, and

WHEREAS, the LGBTQIA+ community is a valuable part of our broader Snohomish County community and Everett residents will be attending the upcoming Arlington Pride events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EVERETT CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE MAYOR OF EVERETT:

- 1) We join in support of the Arlington LGBTQIA+ community, and
- 2) Furthermore, we call for the City of Arlington to adequately enforce proactive safety measures to protect all who attend the Arlington Pride events, and to safeguard attendees from hate crimes and intimidation, including enforcement of RCW 9.41.300, the 250' open carry buffer zone.

COUNCIL MEMBER INTRODUCING RESOLUTION

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS ____ DAY OF
2023

BRENDA STONECIPHER, COUNCIL PRESIDENT