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Snohomish County Council Recognizes National Correctional Officers and Employees Week and National Law Enforcement Officers Week

On Wednesday May 8th, 2019, the Snohomish County Council, alongside the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office passed joint resolution 19-022, honoring the employees of the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office and designating May 6-12, 2019, National Correctional Officers and Employees week and May 13-19, 2019, National Law Enforcement Officers week in Snohomish County.

The Council recognizes that law enforcement professionals have always played an important role in safeguarding the rights, freedoms and property of American citizens. The Council expresses their deep gratitude to the dedicated service and courageous deeds of our law enforcement community.

“As a councilmember and resident of Snohomish County, I truly appreciate the importance of the work of the correctional officers, deputies and employees of the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office,” said Council Chair Terry Ryan. “Daily, they put their lives on the line so the rest of us can safely live, work and play in our communities.”

“The sacrifice of our law enforcement and correctional professionals is something to admire,” said Council Vice-Chair Nate Nehring. “I am grateful for their service and proud of the County Council for our continued investments in public safety.”

National Correctional Officers Week was first proclaimed on May 5, 1984, to recognize the men and women who work in jails, prisons and community corrections across the country. Over time duties of correctional officers have become increasingly complex and demanding to include custodial, supervisory, counseling, rehabilitating and teaching roles.

“We are extremely grateful to all of the correctional officers and employees and the law enforcement officers nationwide for their commitment to public safety and for their many sacrifices,” said Councilmember Brian Sullivan. “I am honored to live and work in a county with so many dedicated, hardworking people in these positions.”

"We admire the dedication and sacrifice of our law enforcement and correctional officers," said Councilmember Stephanie Wright. "They give so much to protect our community and we are grateful for that."

"I appreciate the sacrifice our law enforcement and correctional officers make to keep us safe. I also want to thank the families who share their loved one with us. Thank you to those who protect and serve our communities," said Councilmember Sam Low.

National Law Enforcement Officers Week will honor and recognize officers in the U.S. who have been killed protecting our nation. In 2018 the number of fallen officers was 163 in the U.S. We ask our residents to join us in mourning the losses and in honoring our correctional officers, employees and law enforcement officers in our community and remembering those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.