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TO: KMAS, KRXY, SHELTON-MASON COUNTY JOURNAL, THE OLYMPIAN, SHELTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, NORTH MASON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CITY OF SHELTON, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, THE SUN

RE: Mason County – City Of Shelton Sales Tax Increase Effective April 1, 2012

Due to budget restrictions, the Washington State Department of Revenue is unable to mail information to taxpayers as often as they did in the past, therefore, the Mason County Commissioners and the Administration of the City of Shelton would like to remind the businesses of Mason County and the City of Shelton of the following sales and use tax increases that took effect April 1st, 2012.

Beginning April 1, 2012, there was a sales and use tax increase of one-tenth of one percent (.001), within all of Mason County, to be used for chemical dependency or mental health services. The new rate for unincorporated Mason County is 8.5%.

Beginning April 1, 2012, there was a sales and use tax increase within the city limits of Shelton of one-tenth of one percent (.001) to be used for criminal justice and public safety services. The new rate for City of Shelton is 8.6%.

If you have questions, or if Sales Tax Collection Schedules are needed, please go to the Department of Revenue web site at <u>dor.wa.gov</u> or call the Department of Revenue at 1-800-647-7706.

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