

RESOLUTION NO. 11-17

SUPPORTING THE OFFICIAL NAMING OF SMITH ISLAND AT ISLAND LAKE

**WHEREAS**, there exists within Island Lake in Mason County a small, officially unnamed, island of approximately one-tenth of an acre in size; and

**WHEREAS**, ON April 19, 1955, title to the Island was acquired by William and Mary Smith, who allowed this community to use the island for all to enjoy; and

**WHEREAS**, over the years, due to wind and wave action, the island has eroded and degraded significantly; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to his death on December 11, 2011, William Smith, Mary having predeceased him, transferred the island to the Island Lake Foundation so that it could be restored and preserved, and so it could continue to be a source of enjoyment for the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Island Lake Foundation has restored the island with overwhelming support from the community in the form of donations from present and past residents at the lake, totaling in excess of \$15,000, and the significant effort of many others, including, but not limited to, Manke Lumber Company, Taylor Shellfish Farms, Inc., Dan Ireland of SCJ Alliance, Rob Goodwin of Island Johnny, Bucky Manke of Manke Excavating, Jared Hanson of Hanson Excavating, Dan Holman of Holman and Associates, Lee Boad of the Wetland Corporation, James Metcalf of Active Underground, Craig Pettyjohn of Pettyjohn Enterprises, Tim Sheldon of Sheldon Properties, Robert Olsen of Olsen Trucking and Frank Pascher of Pascher Construction ;and

**WHEREAS**, Mason County and the State of Washington joined in this effort with their assistance and cooperation, most notably from Grace Miller of the Mason County Planning Department, and Gloria Rogers of the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife; and

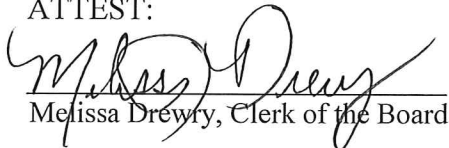
**WHEREAS**, in donating this island to the use of the citizens of Mason County, the only thing Bill Smith asked for is that the island, which has come to be known over the years as Smith Island, be so officially named.


**NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, the Mason County Board of Commissioners, while recognizing it does not have the legal authority to officially name geographical features, does hereby recognize the island at Island Lake to be known in the community as Smith Island, and does hereby support and join in any effort to have the island officially named Smith Island.

APPROVED this 21<sup>st</sup> Day of March, 2017.

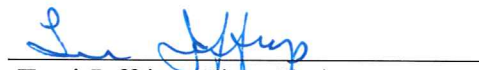
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