



CITY OF GRANITE FALLS

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RESOLUTION NO. 98-5

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GRANITE FALLS PROCLAIMING
AUGUST 7, 1998, AS SNOHOMISH COUNTY PACE, DUI VICTIM
AWARENESS DAY.

WHEREAS, traffic safety needs to be of upmost importance to all citizens because someone is injured or killed every 12 minutes in Washington by an impaired driver; and

WHEREAS, there were 140,215 traffic collisions, resulting in 712 fatalities, and 83,791 injuries in Washington in 1996, of which 12,533 collisions – 51 fatalities, and 7,120 injuries – occurred in Snohomish County; and

WHEREAS, alcohol was involved in 46.5% of traffic fatalities in Washington in 1996; and

WHEREAS, impaired driving is preventable. Driving Under the Influence (DUI) is not an accident, but a collision involving alcohol and/or drugs; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County DUI Task Force, M.A.D.D., law enforcement, public officials, community members, businesses, and special partnerships such as PACE (Pro Active Criminal Enforcement) are working together to reduce the number of impaired drivers on Shomish County roadways; and

WHEREAS, the community is outraged by the senselessness of recent deaths in the Puget Sound Area involving impaired drivers, several with past DUI convictions; and

WHEREAS, thirteen new DUI laws with tougher penalties have recently been signed and education needs to be heightened; and

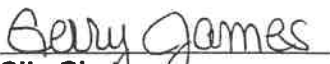
WHEREAS, victims too often become mere statistics, and community awareness needs to be continually raised to remind us that victims are people – our neighbors, friends, and family.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Granite Falls City Council do hereby proclaim Friday, August 7, 1998, as PACE DUI VICTIM AWARENESS DAY in Granite Falls.

DATED this 02 day of July, 1998.


MAYOR

Attest:


City Clerk