PROPOSED BY: <u>BRENNER</u> INTRODUCTION DATE: MARCH 26, 2019

RESOL	<b>UTION</b>	NO	

## SUPPORTING HOUSE BILL 1023, ALLOWING CERTAIN ADULT FAMILY HOMES TO INCREASE BED CAPACITY FROM SIX TO EIGHT

**WHEREAS,** adult family homes are community-based facilities licensed to care for individuals who need long-term care; and

**WHEREAS,** these homes provide room, board, necessary supervision, assistance with daily activities, and personal care; and

**WHEREAS,** adult family homes are licensed by the Department of Social and Health Services and must meet facility standards as well as training requirements for resident managers and caregivers; and

**WHEREAS,** adult family homes are currently allowed to care for up to six adults who are not related by blood or marriage to the person or persons providing services; and

**WHEREAS,** House Bill 1023 would allow adult family homes to provide services for up to eight adults upon approval by the Department of Social and Health Services; and

**WHEREAS,** there is an ever-increasing need in our community for access to adult family homes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Whatcom County Council strongly supports House Bill 1023 to increase the allowable bed capacity in adult family homes from six to eight.

ADOPTED this day of, 2019.		
ATTEST:	WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON	
Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council	Rud Browne, Council Chair	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
Civil Deputy Prosecutor		