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# *Emergency Medical Services*

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Barry Buchanan Chairman Whatcom County Council  
Mike Hilley EMS Administrator Whatcom County

Gentleman:

For the past 50 years it has been my honor to serve as the Medical Director/Medical Program Director for Bellingham and Whatcom County EMS. With the efforts of many dedicated community leaders, in July of 1974 standards were raised, and a new EMS system was born.

Now 50 years later I'm both honored and privileged to have helped steer that system as its medical leader. With time all things must change. As such I wish to notify the County, as I have the State of Washington EMS/Trauma Program, that on December 31, 2024, I will retire as the Medical Program Director and assume another role in support of our new Medical Program Director, being responsible for continued efforts in quality improvement, innovation, and research.

The lives that Whatcom County EMS and all the incorporated agencies have affected cannot be counted in numbers, as they are countless. Those lives then and now stand in tribute to the efforts of so many. I am humbled to be a part of that effort.

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