PROPOSED BY: <u>Executive</u> INTRODUCTION DATE: <u>November 09, 2021</u>

ORDINANCE NO. _____ ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR COUNTYWIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL PURPOSES FOR 2022

WHEREAS, pursuant to Home Rule Charter Section 6.10 the County Executive is required to submit for Council consideration a budget and proposed tax and revenue ordinances necessary to raise sufficient revenues to balance the budget; and,

WHEREAS, the County Council has approved a budget for the 2021–2022 biennium, including all sources of revenues and anticipated expenditures on November 24, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the County Council, in the course of considering the mid-biennium review and modification has reviewed all sources of revenue and examined all anticipated expenses and obligations; and,

WHEREAS, the County Council has determined it is not necessary to increase the Countywide Emergency Medical Fund property tax levy for 2022, and,

WHEREAS, the County Council has held public hearings regarding the county biennial budget and mid-biennium review, which included property tax revenues, and other revenues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Whatcom County Council that amounts collected through the Countywide Emergency Medical levy shall be limited to the amount of 2021 taxes, increased for the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state assessed property. A property tax increase, in addition to the amount resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, is hereby authorized for the 2022 levy in the amount of \$0, which is a percentage increase of 0% from the previous year.

ADOPTED this _____ day of ______, 2021

ATTEST:

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

<u>Approved by email/C Quinn/M Caldwell</u> Civil Deputy Prosecutor WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

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Satpal Singh Sidhu, Executive Date: