

## **PROCLAMATION**

### **Oso Slide Remembrance Day**

**WHEREAS**, on Saturday, March 22, 2014 at 10:37 a.m., the SR 530 or “Oso” landslide occurred; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oso landslide was the deadliest landslide in United States history, and the communities of Arlington, Darrington and Oso lost 43 individuals in the landslide; and

**WHEREAS**, the mudslide covered 49 homes in the Steelhead Drive community on the Stillaguamish River and covered State Highway 530 with over 270 million cubic feet of mud and debris; and

**WHEREAS**, over 900 local, state, tribal, and federal responders worked alongside community member volunteers, families and neighbors, fighting the cold rain and dangerous conditions to search for survivors and recover victims; and

**WHEREAS**, the official search for victims did not end until the last victim was recovered on July 22; and

**WHEREAS**, the communities of Arlington, Darrington and Oso came together to support one another during that difficult time of widespread loss caused by the mudslide; and

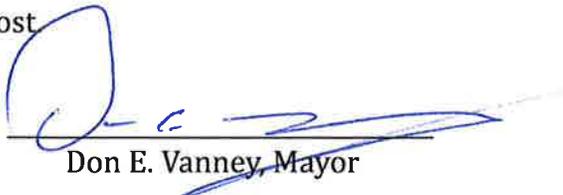
**WHEREAS**, the site of the landslide is now Snohomish County property, with a permanent memorial; and

**WHEREAS**, government agencies continue to identify and analyze landslide hazards across the United States with the National Landslide Preparedness Act;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Don Vanney, Mayor of Arlington, do hereby proclaim March 22, 2024 as

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in Arlington, Washington, and urge citizens to pause and remember the lives of those lost

  
Don E. Vanney, Mayor

March 18, 2024