

November 9, 2012

WHEREAS, Beginning August 13, 2012 Kittitas County citizens were in harm's way due to catastrophic manmade and natural wildfires in areas of rangeland and forest, which posed a great threat to life and property; and local resources were tasked beyond their limits; and

WHEREAS, the Kittitas County Board of County Commissioners declared a state of emergency which was later followed by a state of emergency declared by WA Governor Christine Gregoire; and

WHEREAS, the WA State Emergency Mobilization was activated bringing Incident Commander Rex Reed and the DNR Type Two Team for the Kittitas County fires, not once but twice in the same season; and

WHEREAS, Due to the excellent professional efforts of Rex Reed and his team the citizens of Kittitas County were always being updated with information, there was no loss of life or serious injuries and danger was held behind the lines; and

WHEREAS, Interaction with the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office Emergency Operating Center was continuous, courteous and compassionate during the entire time that Team Two was working the emergencies;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Board of County Commissioners recognizes Rex Reed and the DNR Team Two for all they have done for the citizens of Kittitas County and hereby Proclaims November 9, 2012 as "Rex Reed Day" and urges all citizens to say thank-you to any firefighter as a way to show their appreciation to Rex Reed.

Proclaimed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November 2012.

OMMISSION COMMISSION SEAL 30 Attest: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board

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