## **PROCLAMATION**

## National County Government Month April 2014

## "Ready and Resilient Counties: Prepare. Respond. Thrive."

WHEREAS, the nation's 3,069 counties serving more than 300 million Americans provide essential services to create healthy, safe, vibrant and economically resilient communities; and

WHEREAS, counties build infrastructure, maintain roads and bridges, provide health care, administer justice, keep communities safe, run elections, manage solid waste, keep records and much more; and

WHEREAS, Kittitas County and all counties take pride in their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, in order to remain healthy, vibrant, safe and economically competitive, America's counties must be able to anticipate and adapt to all types of change; and

WHEREAS, through National Association of Counties President Linda Langston's Resilient Counties initiative, NACo is encouraging counties to focus on how they prepare and respond to natural disasters and emergencies or any situation that the counties may face, such as economic recovery or public health and safety challenges; and

WHEREAS, each year since 1991 the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public they serve;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 2014 as National County Government Month and encourage all county officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

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