## RESOLUTION NO. 2290-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON, APPROVING THE CLOSURE OF THE DISTRICT OFFICES ON DECEMBER 23, 2021.

WHEREAS, the District is a municipal corporation formed in 1936 as part of Washington Public Utility District law to own and operate water systems in Skagit County, including the cities of Mount Vernon, Burlington, and Sedro Woolley, and

WHEREAS, the District is the largest water purveyor in Skagit County, serving potable water to more than 26,000 customers and 80,000 people using a network of over 650 miles of pipeline, reservoirs, and pump stations, and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Washington Governor Jay Inslee proclaimed a State of Emergency for all counties throughout the state as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, and

WHEREAS, the District declared a local emergency of the District on March 24, 2020, in response to issues related to COVID-19 under Resolution 2276-20, and

WHEREAS, the District offices have been closed to the public since March 24, 2020, and many staff have been working remotely, if they are able to, in order to reduce staffing levels in the buildings, and

WHEREAS, many District activities and team-building events were canceled in order to adhere to the social gathering restrictions imposed by the state and local health departments to prevent the spread of COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, due to the availability of a vaccine, family and social gatherings are being permitted this Christmas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the District approves the closure of the administrative offices on December 23, 2021, as an additional vacation day in recognition of the workplace health and safety challenges experienced by all workers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District encourages staff to receive the COVID-19 vaccine to protect themselves and others from getting COVID-19 and spreading it through social interactions.

ADOPTED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 1 of Skagit County, Washington, at a regular meeting held this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.

Lindquist, President

Germaine Kornegay, Vice President

ATTEST Andrew Miller, Secretary