

PROCLAIMING A DAY OF PRAYER

May 5, 2016

Whereas: The founding of this nation was first instituted by those people known as Pilgrims who were fleeing England to pursue religious liberty, and

Whereas: Our Founding Fathers expressly acknowledged the role of religion as we became an independent nation, and

Whereas: This is amply demonstrated when Benjamin Franklin declared during the Constitutional Convention "I have lived, Sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proof I see of this truth: that God governs in the affairs of man...that except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.", and

Whereas: George Washington at his first inauguration spoke, "It would be peculiarly improper to omit, in the first official act, my fervent supplications to that Almighty being who rules over the universe, and who presides in the councils of nations", and

Whereas: He went on to say "We ought to be no less persuaded that the propitious smiles of Heaven can never be expected on a nation that disregards the eternal rules of order and right which Heaven itself has ordained...", and

Whereas: We as a people are prone to fall away from the same rules of order and right given to us by the same Almighty in His written word, the Holy Bible, and

Whereas: The U. S. Supreme Court has ruled extensively and repeatedly concerning the Christian form of our nation and has the Ten Commandments and Moses engraved and sculpted into its very walls, and

Whereas: The responsibility for maintaining right relationship between this nation and God is given to the church, and

Whereas: In times past when this nation has strayed from the commands of God it has fallen to the church leaders to call for the people to confess their failure and to repent for the ways that they have failed and to turn from wickedness and recommit to heavenly obedience, and

Whereas: In this year of 2016, this is a call to "Wake Up America" to Prayer and the power enshrined in calling on Divine intervention.

NOW, THEREFORE: We the Stevens County Commissioners call for the church leaders here assembled and across this great county to come and lead us in prayers of confession, repentance as well as wisdom and thanksgiving during this

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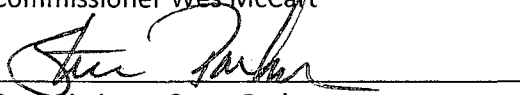
Passed by the Board of Stevens County Commissioners meeting in regular session at Colville, Washington, by the following vote, then signed by its membership and attested to by its Clerk in authorization of such passage the 19th day of April, 2016.

3 YEA; 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; and 0 ABSENT


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