

**PROCLAMATION
NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK**

WHEREAS, county employees throughout the nation serve America.

WHEREAS, Mason County employees police our roads, keep families healthy, fight disease, repair bridges, plow snow, help troubled youth and young adults, provide veterans services and do countless other jobs and;

WHEREAS, Mason County and our sister counties provide public safety, human services, opportunities for new businesses to prosper and protect our water quality. When natural or man-made disaster strikes, county emergency services keep children and their families safe and informed until order can be restored.

WHEREAS, all counties provide services that make America's communities stronger, safer places to live and raise families.

WHEREAS, county officials and employees use their role as local leaders to encourage economic development and therefore improve the lives of their citizens and make their communities more livable.

WHEREAS, counties have a long history of providing critical services. County governments are the citizen's local government voice, and provide solutions that bring communities together.

THEREFORE, in recognition of the leadership, innovation and valuable service provided by our nation's counties:

Let it be resolved by the Board of Mason County Commissioners that the week of April 23-29, 2006 is hereby proclaimed as

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and urge all citizens to acquaint themselves with county government and to recognize the contributions that county officials and employees make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.

Dated this ____ day of April, 2006.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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