

**PROCLAMATION**  
**2017 NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK & MASON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, Mason County recognizes the week of April 3-9, 2017, as National Public Health Week; adopting its theme, "Healthiest Nation 2030."

**WHEREAS**, since 1995, the American Public Health Association, through its sponsorship of National Public Health Week, has educated the public, policymakers and public health professionals about issues important to improving the public's health;

**WHEREAS**, preventing diseases before they strike is critical to helping people live longer, healthier lives while managing health-related costs;

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. ranks 34th globally in life expectancy and last among 11 countries on measures of access, quality, efficiency, and healthy lives;

**WHEREAS**, zip code, race, and class currently trumps genetics and health care as predictors of public health;

**WHEREAS**, community collaboration and partnerships are vital to improving community health and well-being;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Mason County Board of Health does hereby proclaim the week of April 3-9, 2017 as **National Public Health Week 2017** in Mason County and call upon the people of Mason County to observe this week by helping our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers and leaders better understand the value of public health and adopt preventative lifestyle habits in light of this year's theme, "Healthiest Nation 2030."

**Dated** this 28th day of March 2017

Mason County Board of Health  
Mason County, Washington

  
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Clerk of the Board