

RESOLUTION NO. 69-99
RETIREMENT OF SHERIFF'S K-9 DOG

WHEREAS, RCW 36.32.120 states that the Board of County Commissioners "...shall make and enforce, by appropriate resolution or ordinances, all such police and sanitary regulations as are not in conflict with state law...";

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the Mason County Sheriff has a viable canine program contributing to the safety of the citizens of Mason County;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the dogs selected for use in this program must be certified and competent to the assignment. It further finds that the K-9 dogs are subject to injury and aging during their service to the program. Further, the Board believes it is the Sheriff's responsibility to determine when a K-9 dog is no longer suitable to the assignment;

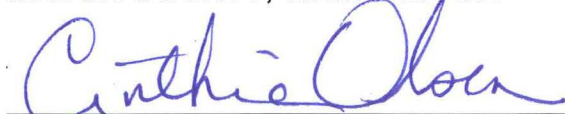
WHEREAS, the Board finds that since the K-9 handler and his or her family establishes a bond with the K-9 dog, the most humane place to retire the dog is in the handler's home;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the current K-9, Lobo, because of a vision problem is no longer able to work in the K-9 unit and should be retired.

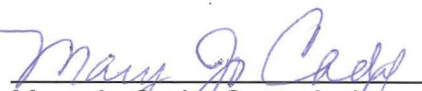
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners authorizes the Sheriff to place the retired K-9 to the home of the dog's handler, Mark Merod. If for some reason the handler cannot accept the dog, the Sheriff will place the K-9 dog in an appropriate home of the Sheriff's choosing.

Approved this 6th day of July, 1999.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON


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ATTEST:


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