

**City of Stanwood  
Resolution No. 2009-6**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF STANWOOD URGING FEDERAL FINANCIAL  
SUPPORT FOR LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH**

**WHEREAS**, H1N1 Influenza (Swine Flu) may present a serious health threat to the United States this coming fall including the potential of up to as many as 1.8 million hospitalizations and 90,000 deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, families in the City of Stanwood may be exposed to the same significant health risks from H1N1 Influenza; and

**WHEREAS**, the Snohomish Health District is working diligently to prepare the entire Snohomish County Population including the residents of the City of Stanwood for the upcoming influenza season; and

**WHEREAS**, the Snohomish Health District is coordinating efforts with local health care providers, hospitals, tribes, emergency responders, departments of emergency management, the State of Washington Department of Health, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Health Promotion; and

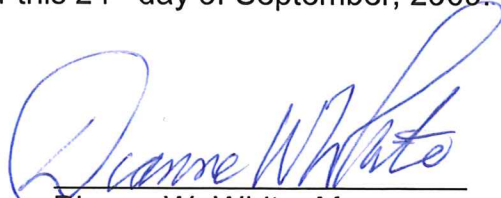
**WHEREAS**, while the Snohomish Health District is receiving some funds for planning and response to H1N1 Influenza, because of the significant economic downturn the Snohomish Health District has less funding to provide for public health in general including responding to H1N1 Influenza; and

**WHEREAS**, the local public health system is responsible for assuring the public's health, but has been underfunded, faces further funding reductions, and requires additional resources to meet public expectations.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Stanwood does support federal funding for local public health in general and specifically federal funding for the Snohomish Health District to plan, prepare, and respond to the upcoming H1N1 Influenza epidemic; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Stanwood strongly urges federal elected officials to assure sufficient funding is made available to the Snohomish Health District.

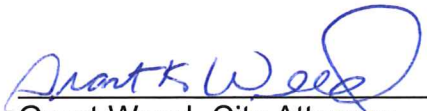
Passed by the City Council and Approved by the Mayor this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

  
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Dianne W. White, Mayor

Attest:

  
Melissa A. Collins, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
Grant Weed, City Attorney