

# BEFORE THE BOARD OF COLUMBIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## RESOLUTION 2021-20

### IN THE MATTER OF ACKNOWLEDGING THE SUPREMACY OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND AFFIRMING THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY'S CITIZENS TO FREE SPEECH AND PEACEABLE ASSEMBLY, TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS AND MAINTAIN ESSENTIAL LIBERTIES AND FREEDOMS PROTECTED IN THE BILL OF RIGHTS TO THE US CONSTITUTION

**WHEREAS**, The Columbia County Board of Commissioners constitutes the duly elected legislative body for Columbia County, Washington; and

**WHEREAS**, each Commissioner has sworn an oath to support and defend the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Washington; and

**WHEREAS**, Recently proposed legislation and executive orders from the President of the United States and Congress, and the executive and legislative branches of the State of Washington, have sought to limit or eliminate certain traditionally held rights of the people guaranteed under the Constitution of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Columbia County Board of Commissioners finds these legislative and executive efforts to be contrary to the intent and purpose of the Bill of Rights, particularly under the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendments;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, the Columbia County Board of Commissioners hereby reaffirms our united support for those rights guaranteed under the U.S. and State of Washington's Constitutions and hereby recognizes the citizens' right to exercise freedom of speech and peaceable assembly, the right to keep and bear arms for personal protection of life and property, protect against unreasonable search and seizure, and ensure all other fundamental rights.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Columbia County Board of Commissioners, State of Washington, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.


**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
COLUMBIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
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Virginia Schmidt  
Clerk of the Board

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