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A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on behalf of the County of Pend Oreille, we wish to record our deep sorrow over the passing of the Honorable Betty Verbrugge on April 10, 2017, and;

WHEREAS, Ms. Verbrugge was an active member of the community, community leader, volunteer, and conservationist, and;

WHEREAS, Ms. Verbrugge served the citizens of Pend Oreille County within the county and throughout the state for nearly forty years, serving as Pend Oreille County Treasurer from 1973-1998, and;

WHEREAS, Ms. Verbrugge was member of the Washington State Association of County Treasurer, serving as President from 1977-1978, and;

WHEREAS, Ms. Verbrugge was a member of Washington Association of County Officials, serving as President from 1982-1983, and;

WHEREAS, Ms. Verbrugge was actively involved in the Pend Oreille County Historical Society, a member of Nobel, Pomona and Washington State Granges; and a fifty-four-year member of Soroptimist International of Newport, and;

WHEREAS, Ms. Verbrugge and her family cared deeply about nature, which led to the establishment of a trust to preserve their Scotia property as a teaching and learning conservation center future generations, now known as the *Verbrugge Environmental Center*; and;

WHEREAS, Ms. Verbrugge dedicated her life to the best interests of the community and future generations, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Pend Oreille County wish to express gratitude to Betty Verbrugge for her exemplary dedication to the Pend Oreille County, her community, and future generations, as well as express our sympathies to her family in this time of loss;

NOW, THEREFORE, *the Board of Commissioners of Pend Oreille County*, in recognition of the Honorable Betty Verbrugge's many contributions to our County and its citizens, do hereby express our deep appreciation for her dedication to the community and future generations of this community and beyond, and extend to her family our sincere sympathy upon her passing.

Dated this 24th day of April, 2017.

Karen Skoog, Chair

Stephen Kiss, Vice-Chair

Mike Manus, Member

Attest:

Rhonda Cary Clerk of the Board