## **RESOLUTION NO.** <u>35</u> - 2019

## A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE SAN JUAN ISLANDS SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE

WHEREAS, the San Juan Islands are fortunate to be the home to 35 County Land Bank preserves, 16 San Juan Preservation Trust Preserves, 18 County Parks, 7 State Parks, a National Wildlife Refuge, a National Monument, and a National Park - all welcoming over one million visitors each year who enjoy the natural beauty of the islands;

WHEREAS, the San Juan Islands are one of the most significant travel destinations for Washingtonians and others from around the nation and world;

WHEREAS, awareness, conservation and stewardship of our public lands and waters are important for the education and enjoyment of current and future generations of both residents and visitors alike;

WHEREAS, the ongoing scope of the conservation and stewardship task necessitates assistance to protect and enhance the natural and cultural resources of the islands;

WHEREAS, the passage of EHB 1996 in the 2019 Washington State Legislature, creating the San Juan Islands special license plate, will provide funds generated through the sale of the special license plate to support conservation and stewardship initiatives in the islands;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of San Juan County, state of Washington, as follows:

- 1. San Juan County endorses the San Juan Islands Special License Plate as a benefit to the conservation and stewardship of our islands.
- 2. San Juan County encourages the purchase of the San Juan Islands Special License Plate by all Washingtonians who share a love of the islands.

ADOPTED this 15T day of OCTOBER 2019.

ATTEST: Clerk of the Council	SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
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REVIEWED BY COUNTY MANAGER  10/8/19  Michael J. Thomas Date	Jamie Stephens, Chair District 3
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By:	Rick Hughes, Vice Chair
Date	District 2