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**PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR
AMENDING PROCLAMATION 12-07**

12-11

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2012, Governor Christine O. Gregoire issued Proclamation 12-07, proclaiming a state of emergency for a series of severe storms that caused extensive damage in Adams, Benton, Chelan, Douglas, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Jefferson, Kitsap, Kittitas, Klickitat, Okanogan, Pend Oreille, Walla Walla and Yakima counties; and

As the Washington State Military Department has continued to monitor the effects of this storm through the Washington State Emergency Operations Center and the Washington State Department of Transportation has continued to assess roadway damage caused by these storms and implement repairs, it has now become evident that significant storm damage and its effects also impact the life and health of citizens in Pierce, Stevens, and Whitman counties, including damage to homes, public utilities, businesses, farm crops, infrastructure, and state and county road systems; and

Ongoing assessments of damage caused by these storms to state and county road systems by the Washington State Department of Transportation reveal that temporary closures, limited access, and damage to transportation infrastructure in affected counties continue to impact the life and health of our citizens, as well as the property and transportation infrastructure of Washington State, and is a public disaster that affects life, health, property or the public peace; and

Governor Christine O. Gregoire is currently outside the state of Washington and I am therefore the acting Governor pursuant to State Law.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Brad Owen, Lieutenant Governor of the state of Washington, as a result of the aforementioned situation and under Chapters 38.52 and 43.06 RCW, do hereby proclaim that Proclamation 12-07 remains in effect and that a State of Emergency also exists in Pierce, Stevens, and Whitman counties, in addition to the counties identified in Proclamation 12-07. I again direct the plans and procedure in the *Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan* be implemented. State agencies and departments are directed to utilize state resources and to do everything reasonably possible to assist affected political

subdivisions in an effort to respond to and recover from the incident. Additionally, the Washington State Emergency Operations Center is instructed to continue to coordinate all incident-related assistance to affected areas.

Signed and sealed with the official seal of the state of Washington this 21st day of August, A.D, Two Thousand and Twelve at Olympia, Washington.

By:

/s/

Brad Owen
Lieutenant Governor

BY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:

/s/
Secretary of State