City of White Salmon
City Hall

ORDER PROHIBITING DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS DUE TO EXTREME FIRE DANGER

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to WSMC 08.20.017, the City Council granted the Mayor, in consultation with the Fire Chief, the discretion and authority to prohibit the discharge of all fireworks during

periods of extreme fire danger in White Salmon; and

WHEREAS, WSMC 08.20.017 was adopted in accordance with RCW 70.77.250(4); and

WHEREAS, increased high temperatures and wind conditions, combined with active drying of

small fuels indicate high fire-risk conditions; and

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, the ignition potential of trees, shrubs, bushes, and other

combustible items is significantly increased; and

WHEREAS, the use of fireworks can significantly increase the chances of the ignition of fires,

depletion of fire department resources, and major fire spread;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor of the City of White Salmon, in consultation with and with the

agreement of the Fire Chief, orders as follows: Effective immediately, discharge of all fireworks

within the city limits of White Salmon is prohibited pursuant to WSMC 08.20.017, because White

Salmon is experiencing a period of extreme fire danger. Unless rescinded sooner, this order shall

expire at 12:01 AM on July 5, 2023. Under WSMC 08.20.100, anyone who illegally discharges

fireworks in the city limits of White Salmon in violation of this order may be subject to a fine not to

exceed \$500.

SIGNED, this 2<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2023

Marla Keethler

Mayor