EMERGENCY ORDER CLARIFICATION
STAY HOME, PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH

In order to clarify the Emergency Order I sent out on 3/23/20 I would like the citizens of Lake Stevens to understand the concept of this order. As a community we need to maintain appropriate social distancing and ensure we are conducting proper personal and environmental hygiene practices. With this in mind my concern for our community are the increased numbers of people congregating at our open grocery stores, retail stores, and parks.

For this reason, I established the RECOMMENDATION of conducting our essential activities by a division of our last names. The idea is to reduce the numbers of people in the areas of our essential activities by curtailing how often we are there. I do not expect our businesses to police this recommendation, I believe our citizens can work within the concept of this order.

If you have an absolute need to get groceries, get a provided school lunch, care for a family member, walk your dog (not an all-inclusive list) then please do so. I would ask you just use common sense in helping community members create additional social distance space.

Additionally, the Governor has put in place an exhaustive list of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers list. Here is the link to this list, https://coronavirus.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2020-03/EssentialCriticalInfrastructureWorkers.pdf. The City of Lake Stevens will adhere to this list and not the list established in the 3/23/20 Emergency Order. If you have questions regarding if your employment is critical please email your question to business@mil.wa.gov, which is a State response cell handling these questions.

We are doing great work as a community in these trying times. Take care of yourselves, your family, and your neighbors.

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