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SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
Snohomish County, Washington

ORDINANCE NO. 12-023

RELATING TO THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT  
CARD PROGRAM; CONTINUING THE PROGRAM; REENACTING SCC 7.10.010,  
7.10.020, AND 7.10.030; AND REPEALING SCC 7.10.040

WHEREAS, the spiraling cost of prescription drugs has placed substantial and  
increasing financial burdens on individuals and families who reside or work in  
Snohomish County; and

WHEREAS, by adopting Ordinance No. 06-043 on June 27, 2006, the County  
Council established the Snohomish County Prescription Drug Discount Program in  
cooperation with the National Association of Counties (NACo), subject to sunset on  
June 27, 2012 unless reenacted pursuant to the Snohomish County Charter; and

WHEREAS, the program provides a voluntary means of reducing prescription  
drug costs incurred by persons who reside or work in Snohomish County, subject to  
Council approval of necessary contracts; and

WHEREAS, since County participation in the NACo pilot program began in 2005  
participating Snohomish County residents and workers have used prescription drug  
discount cards provided by the program to purchase 590,952 prescriptions, which has  
generated an aggregate savings of more than \$9,541,498; and

WHEREAS, the prescription drug discount card program offers significant  
benefits and should be continued as provided herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. Snohomish County Code Section 7.10.010, adopted by Ordinance  
No. 06-043 on June 21, 2006, is reenacted to read:

**7.10.010 Program authorized.**

There is hereby authorized a county prescription drug discount card  
program. The program shall provide a voluntary means of reducing  
prescription drug costs incurred by persons who reside or work in the  
county.

Section 2. Snohomish County Code Section 7.10.020, adopted by Ordinance  
No. 06-043 on June 21, 2006, is reenacted to read:

1 **7.10.020 Administration.**

2 The program shall be administered by an independent contractor  
3 and one or more executive agencies appointed by the county executive.  
4 Contracts providing for administration of the program shall be awarded on  
5 a competitive basis.  
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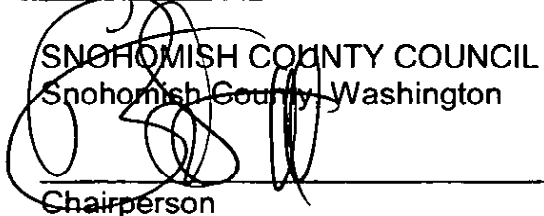
7 Section 3. Snohomish County Code Section 7.10.030, adopted by Ordinance  
8 No. 06-043 on June 21, 2006, is reenacted to read:  
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10 **7.10.030 Approval of contracts.**

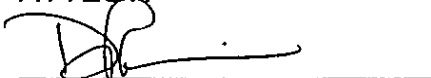
11 All contracts providing for administration of the county prescription  
12 drug discount card program and amendments to such contracts must be  
13 approved by the county council.  
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15 Section 4. **Repeal.** Snohomish County Code Section 7.10.040, adopted by  
16 Ordinance No. 06-043 on June 21, 2006, is repealed.  
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18 PASSED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012.

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20 SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
21 Snohomish County, Washington  
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25 Chairperson

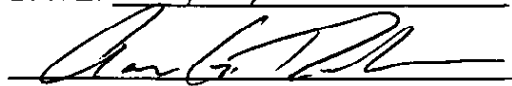
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29 Clerk of the Council, Asst.  
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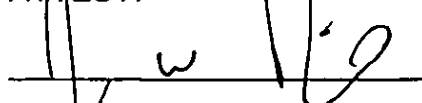
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37 DATE: 6/1/12  
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40 County Executive

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Deputy Prosecuting Attorney