

**OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'**

**RESOLUTION 6 - 2021**

*A resolution appointing Melanie Bailey as Prosecutor of Okanogan County*

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners as the county legislative authority has been informed by Prosecuting Attorney Arian Noma that he will be vacating the office as elected county prosecutor effective January 15, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, two candidates put forth by the republic party was interviewed by the Board of County Commissioners in an open public meeting January 11, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Melanie Bailey has the skill, ability, and knowledge that qualifies her for the appointment to fill the vacant position of Prosecuting Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners finds that it is in the best interests of the citizens of Okanogan County and necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare to appoint Melanie Bailey as Prosecuting Attorney of Okanogan County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners, the Board does hereby appoint Melanie Bailey to begin her appointment at 12:01am on January 16, 2021, to serve as Prosecuting Attorney pursuant to the state constitution, art. II, sec. 15.

<sup>1</sup> See Wa. Const. art. II, § 15: Such vacancies as may occur in either house of the legislature or in any partisan county elective office shall be filled by appointment by the county legislative authority of the county in which the vacancy occurs: Provided, *That the person appointed to fill the vacancy must be from the same legislative district, county, or county commissioner or council district and the same political party as the legislator or partisan county elective officer whose office has been vacated, and shall be one of three persons who shall be nominated by the county central committee of that party, and in case a majority of the members of the county legislative authority do not agree upon the appointment within sixty days after the vacancy occurs, the governor shall within thirty days thereafter, and from the list of nominees provided for herein, appoint a person who shall be from the same legislative district, county, or county commissioner or council district and of the same political party as the legislator or partisan county elective officer whose office has been vacated, and the person so appointed shall hold office until his or her successor is elected at the next general election, and has qualified...*

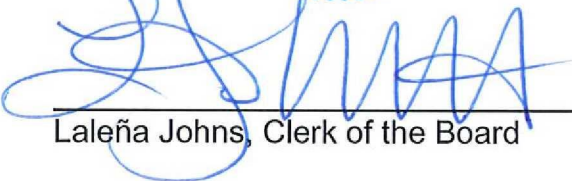
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that according to RCW 29A.60.280(3)(a), Melanie Bailey shall be sworn in by the presiding Superior Court Judge up to ten days prior to the scheduled date of assuming office.

**DATED** at Okanogan, Washington this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON**



**ATTEST:**


  
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Laleña Johns, Clerk of the Board



Chris Branch, Chairman



Andy Hover, Member



Jim DeTro, Member