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**“BOCC PROCLAMATION IN SUPPORT OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY  
MANAGEMENT OF COVID-19 PREVENTION AND RESPONSE, AND CALLING FOR  
IMMEDIATE CHANGE TO STATE COVID-19 MANAGEMENT, ENFORCEMENT POLICIES,  
AND STATUTORY LANGUAGE LIMITING STATE OF EMERGENCY DURATION WITHOUT  
LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL”**

YAKIMA, WA- The Yakima Board of County Commissioners has issued today a Proclamation which restates our inability to use local resources to enforce any aspect of Governor Inslee’s Stay Home – Stay Healthy order or its sister document “Healthy Washington - Roadmap to Recovery” which is to go into effect today. We further state our active pursuit of legal challenges to this flawed regionalized plan and are proactively working with counties across the state to pool resources to that end.

Governor Inslee has abused his emergency powers to circumvent the checks and balances provided by the voice of the people through our duly elected representatives. We find Governor Inslee’s actions to be grossly unjust and indefensible in nature as to the crisis in hearts and homes that he has created which far exceeds the negative impact of COVID-19. Through his lone actions, he has destroyed both lives and livelihoods. He has destroyed HOPE.

Governor Inslee, who proclaims to be a champion for diversity, has banished the greatest voice of diversity we have, our own voices.



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