## BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

## IN THE MATTER OF:

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-385** 

APPROVE UPDATES TO THE LEWIS COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK TO ALIGN WITH 2026 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS AND COUNTY POLICY

**WHEREAS**, the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) has authority to approve countywide personnel policies, including the Lewis County Employee Handbook; and

**WHEREAS**, Human Resources has conducted a comprehensive review of the Employee Handbook to ensure consistency with adopted and proposed 2026 collective bargaining agreements, Washington State law, and current county policies and compensation practices; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed updates include administrative clean-up for clarity and consistency as well as substantive revisions addressing employee status definitions, compensation principles, attendance and leave expectations, holiday and accrual eligibility, sick leave alignment with state law, family and household definitions, and longevity pay provisions, as outlined in the attached Human Resources memorandum dated December 18, 2025, and attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS**, the revised Employee Handbook reflects current operational practices and provides clearer guidance to employees and supervisors while maintaining consistency with applicable collective bargaining agreements.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the BOCC hereby approves the updated Lewis County Employee Handbook, attached hereto as presented by Human Resources, effective January 1, 2026, and authorizes its implementation countywide.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 23rd day of December, 2025.

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APPROVED AS TO FORM: Jonathan Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Scott J. Brummer, Chair

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**Absent** 

Rieva Lester, CMC,

Clerk of the Lewis County Board of

**County Commissioners** 

Sean D. Swope, Commissioner

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