

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALTH
SPOKANE REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT
RESOLUTION #22-08**

RE: ADOPTION OF THE HEALTH OFFICER'S RESCISSION OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION RATIFIED BY BOARD OF HEALTH RESOLUTION #20-03 AND RESCISSION OF EMERGENCY DIRECTIVES

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Washington Governor Inslee declared a state of emergency in response to COVID-19, a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans and can easily spread from person to person;

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the health officer declared a public health emergency due to the public health threat and increasing cases in Spokane County; and

WHEREAS, the Spokane Regional Health District Board of Health adopted and ratified the Health Officer's Declaration of a Public Health Emergency with Resolution #20-03 on April 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, 77.8% of the population six months or older have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine in Washington State and 65.3% of the population six months or older in Spokane County have received at least one does of a COVID-19 vaccine since November 7, 2022; and

WHEREAS, as of the November 5, 2022, the weekly average positivity rates have decreased from 36.0% during the 7-day peak measured January 15, 2022, to January 21, 2022, to 8.3% measured during the 7-day period from October 30, 2022 to November 5, 2022.

WHEREAS, the July 29, 2022, proclamation made by the Washington State Governor rescinding the declaration of a public health emergency in response to the State of Washington making adequate progress against COVID-19 to rescind and/or modify amendatory proclamations

WHEREAS, that the Board of Health and Spokane Regional Health District recognize the COVID-19 pandemic is still ongoing and the Health Officer will continue to assess the public health situation as it evolves and may issue additional orders related to COVID-19 as changing circumstances dictate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH, that the rescission of the Health Officer's Declaration of a Public Health Emergency dated March 20, 2020, and the emergency directives is hereby adopted, and ratified in full.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution is effective immediately and remains in effect until further order of the Health Officer and Board of Health.

Signed this 1st day of December 2022 in Spokane, Washington.

SPOKANE REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT
BOARD OF HEALTH



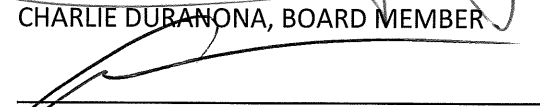
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