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**Resolution on the Emergency Supplies of Medication**

To Mike Kreidler, Insurance Commissioner for the State of Washington:

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Health recommends that people keep a three day supply of medication available for emergencies;

WHEREAS, the platform of the Jefferson County Democrats states "In a worst-case scenario, we know we may be on our own for months before significant assistance can arrive" ;

WHEREAS, it can take a pharmacy a number of days to fill a prescription;

WHEREAS, many Insurance plans limit the time that one can make a refill request so that it is impossible to build up a three day emergency supply of medication;

WHEREAS, a missed dose of medication could cause significant health problems; and

WHEREAS, the ability of the local medical community to help in such a situation may be limited or non-existent;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Jefferson County Democrats call on Mike Kreidler, Insurance Commissioner for the State of Washington, to establish regulations that make medications with significant withdrawal effects and/or health issues refillable at least 7 days prior to the end of time for the previously dispensed dosages to have all been used; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Jefferson County Democrats call on Mike Kreidler, Insurance Commissioner for the State of Washington, to propose legislation to the Washington State Legislature that makes medications with significant withdrawal effects and/or health issues refillable at least 7 days prior to the end of time for the previously dispensed dosages:

Submitted to the Jefferson County Democrats Resolutions Adhoc Committee on 4-23-2017 and to the Jefferson County Democrats on 5-9-2017 by David Johnson, 830 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368, (360) 385-5470

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