**Resolution Supporting Mt. St. Helens Being Redesignated as a National Volcanic Park**

**WHEREAS,** the First Nations of Washington State and other local agencies are urging Congress to redesignated Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument as Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Park; and

**WHEREAS,** the current 110k acre monument is currently under the oversight of the U.S. Forest Service and would be moved to the National Park Service upon Congress redesignated as a national park;

**WHEREAS** becoming a national park would ensure the protection of the land for volcanic research in biology and geology and would follow the model of Hawai’i Volcanoes National Park with the goal that this monument be redefined as a national park before the end of the year in 2022 while the 117th Congress is seated; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 32nd District Democrats advocate for the designation of Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument as a national park and that it be named Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Park, and we ask other Democratic Organizations to join our efforts to establish this park as a fourth National Park in Washington State, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that upon passing at the 32nd District Democrats, copies be sent to the King County Democrats Central Committee, Snohomish County Central Committee, Washington State Democrats. Offices of Rep. DelBene D- Medina, Rep. Larsen D-Lake Stevens, Rep. Herrera Beutler R- Camas, Rep. Newhouse R-Sunnyside, Rep. McMorris Rodgers R-Colville, Rep. Kilmer D- Antondale, Rep. Jayapal D-Seattle, Rep. Schrier D-Issaquah, Rep. Smith D-Bellevue, Rep. Strickland D-Tacoma, Sen. Murray D- WA, Sen. Cantwell D-WA, Chairperson Grijalva D-AZ, Sub Committeeperson Neguse D-CO, Ranking Members Fulcher R-ID & Westerman R-AR, Chair Sen. Schatz D-HI, Ranking Member Sen. Murkowski R-AK, Chairperson Carper D-DE and Ranking Member Sen. Capito R-WV, and the delegation of the 32nd District Democrats to the Washington State Legislature and Commissioner of Public Lands of Washington State Hillary Franz.

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