

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

APPOINT JOSHUA PICKETT AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER ON THE VETERANS' ADVISORY BOARD (VAB) AND RATIFY THE APPOINTMENTS OF JEFF ELDER AND SCOTT SALKOVICS AS REGULAR MEMBERS

RESOLUTION NO. 26-059

**WHEREAS**, the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) established the Veterans' Advisory Board (VAB) via Resolution 06-189 and amended its bylaws via Resolution 12-143; and

**WHEREAS**, the VAB bylaws provide that the Board shall consist of no fewer than seven regular members and two alternate members, all of whom must be approved by the BOCC and appointed by resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, Patrick Swanson and Ed Smith have resigned, and the term for William Cavinder expired in August 2025, creating three vacancies on the VAB; and

**WHEREAS**, Joshua Pickett has expressed interest in serving on the Veterans' Advisory Board, and alternates Jeff Elder (Resolution 25-198) and Scott Salkovics (Resolution 25-198) have moved into regular voting roles as outlined in the board's bylaws (Resolution 12-143); and

**WHEREAS**, the BOCC has reviewed a memorandum from the VAB recommending changes to its membership; and

**WHEREAS**, the VAB recommends that the BOCC appoint Joshua Pickett as an alternate voting member for a term ending February 29, 2028; and

**WHEREAS**, the BOCC finds that this appointment is in the best interest of the public and ensures compliance with the minimum membership requirements for the VAB.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the BOCC hereby ratifies the appointments of Jeff Elder and Scott Salkovics as regular members of the Veterans' Advisory Board, effective upon the dates of Edward Smith's and William Cavinder's departure from said board (June 2025 and August 2025 respectively) and continuing through Feb. 28, 2027; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the BOCC hereby appoints Joshua Pickett as a non-voting alternate member of the Veterans' Advisory Board for a term ending Feb. 29, 2028.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION this 17th day of February, 2026.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
Jonathan Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

David Bailey  
By: David Bailey,  
Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Absent  
Lindsey R. Pollock, DVM, Chair

ATTEST:



Scott J. Brummer  
Scott J. Brummer, Vice Chair

Rieva Lester, CMC  
Rieva Lester, CMC,  
Clerk of the Lewis County Board of  
County Commissioners

Sean D. Swope  
Sean D. Swope, Commissioner