Report of Task Force on Recognition

To: House of Delegates September 2025

Each year, the Task Force on Recognition is charged with selecting a Citizen of the Year. WSDA solicits nominations for the award through electronic announcements and the WSDA News. In addition, individuals also directly submit recommendations for consideration throughout the year.

The Task Force on Recognition reviews all nominations as well as unselected finalists from previous years and determines a list of candidates for that particular year. All members of the Task Force review information on each candidate and assist in discreetly collecting additional information before voting on finalists and ultimately selecting a Citizen of the Year.

In 2025, the Task Force developed a slight modification to the Citizen of the Year selection criteria to provide clarity around the consideration of posthumous nominations. The modified criteria clarifies that the Citizen of the Year may be awarded posthumously within one year of the death of an individual who was being actively considered for the award prior to their passing.

Based upon the process completed in 2025, Dr. Kim Nordberg was named the 2025 Citizen of the Year.

Unselected finalists will be considered for future awards.

The members of the Task Force are:

Dr. Jeffrey Parrish, Chair

Ms. Sandra Anderson, Snohomish County Dental Society

Dr. Guillermo Chacon

Dr. Chris Delecki

Dr. Joseph de Jesus

Dr. Peter Lubisich IV

Dr. Ashley Ulmer

Dr. Crystal Vo

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