

Port of Port Angeles

Port Angeles, Washington

Commissioner's Resolution No. 26-1343

A RESOLUTION OF THE PORT OF PORT ANGELES COMMISSION, PORT ANGELES, WASHINGTON CENSURING COMMISSIONER STEVEN D. BURKE

WHEREAS, the Board of Port Commissioners is committed to maintaining the highest standards of integrity, transparency, and accountability in the governance of Port operations; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Port Angeles faces a reputational risk tied to Commissioner, Steven D. Burke, arising from his separate role at the Shore Aquatic Center; and

WHEREAS, this issue relates to the conduct of one independently elected Port Commissioner, not the Port's ongoing operations or the work it delivers in the community; and

WHEREAS, community confidence in public institutions is of paramount importance, and leadership involves understanding when stepping aside is in the best interest of an organization; and

WHEREAS, the Port's mission and daily work should not be overshadowed by the conduct of one elected official; and

WHEREAS, the Commission as a Board lacks authority to remove a Commissioner from office; however, Commissioner Steven D. Burke has been asked by his fellow Commissioners to resign from his elected Port Commissioner position, and he has declined to do so.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Commissioner Steven D. Burke is hereby formally censured. This censure serves as a public statement of disapproval and a reminder of the obligations held by all commissioners to uphold the values and standards of the Port Commission.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Commissioner Burke's Commission-elected position as Vice President of the Port Commission is hereby rescinded along with all attendant Commission roles and committee assignments, and Port representations. He is also restricted from travel reimbursement by the Port except for Port Commission meetings and meetings with the Port's Chief Executive Officer.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Port of Port Angeles at a special meeting thereof held this 1st day of May 2026.

PORT OF PORT ANGELES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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