




King County

Title Delegation of Authority during Absence of the Executive and Line of Succession	Document Code No. ACO 8-1-25 (AEO)
Department/Issuing Agency King County Executive	Date September 23, 2009
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An Executive Order superseding Executive Order ACO 8-1-24 (AEO) delegating authority when the Executive is absent and designating a line of succession in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the County Executive.

WHEREAS, I, Kurt Triplett, am the duly appointed King County Executive, having been appointed to said position by the King County Council on May 18, 2009; and

WHEREAS, from time to time the King County Executive may be absent from King County or otherwise unavailable to sign official documents or take other official actions; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary during those occasions for various official documents and ordinances to be signed to carry on King County's business and for various orders and directions to be given on behalf of the Executive; and

WHEREAS, the King County Executive may be unavailable to direct implementation of the King County Emergency Services Operations Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to satisfy Federal and Washington State legal requirements that the Emergency Services Operations Plan indicate the name of the individuals responsible for implementing the Plan during periods of natural or war-caused disaster; and

WHEREAS, in the event of an emergency, King County Code Section 12.52.030 delineates the emergency powers of the King County Executive after the Executive has formally proclaimed in writing the existence of an emergency; and

WHEREAS, Article 8, Section 850, of the King County Charter provides for the delegation of Executive powers and duties, except in the veto power, to be assumed and carried out in the Executive's absence; and

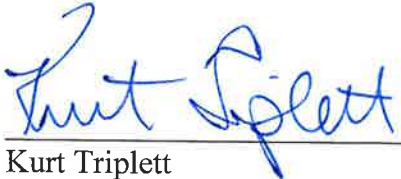
WHEREAS, Article 6, Section 680.10, of the King County Charter requires the Executive to designate an interim official in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the County Executive;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kurt Triplett, King County Executive, do hereby order and direct that the following individuals are designated to act on my behalf in my absence and delegate to each my powers and duties, except the veto power, to be assumed and carried out by:

- (1) Assistant County Executive – Pam Bissonnette
- (2) Department of Transportation Director – Harold Taniguchi
- (3) Department of Natural Resources and Parks Director – Theresa Jennings
- (4) County Administrative Officer Designee – Bob Cowan

FURTHERMORE, I officially designate the following individuals to serve as interim County Executive in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the County Executive:

- (1) Assistant County Executive – Pam Bissonnette
- (2) Department of Transportation Director – Harold Taniguchi
- (3) Department of Natural Resources and Parks Director – Theresa Jennings
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Kurt Triplett
King County Executive

Attest:



Carolyn Ableman, Director
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