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2 **ORDINANCE NO. 170-23**

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4 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING RCWC 9.94.020-030 PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATIONS TO**  
5 **ACCESS TO THE WAHIAKUM COUNTY CLERK'S RECORDS OF THE COURT**

6 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of Wahkiakum County passed Ordinance #166-18  
7 modifying Revised Code of Wahkiakum County (RCWC) 9.94 and providing for collection of clerk's  
8 fees mandated by RCW 13.13.016; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the impetus for the ordinance was the adoption of new technology, known as the  
10 Odyssey system, that allowed electronic access to court records for subscribers across the world; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the pricing structure created at the time was one of many attempts by many  
12 counties to capture the most effective and equitable collection system; and

13 **WHEREAS**, in the years since, pricing, use, and collection procedures throughout the state  
14 have settled from their original chaotic state as counties adopt the processes that have been most  
15 effective after observing the successes and failures of their own and other offices; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the county now intends to optimize its own clerk's electronic access fees;

17 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF**  
18 **COMMISSIONERS OF WAHIAKUM COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:**

- 19 1. RCWC 9.94.020 is amended to read as follows: "The Wahkiakum County Clerk shall collect  
20 an annual fee from applicants seeking electronic access to superior court documents."  
21 2. RCWC9.94.030(b) is amended to read as follows: "Annual fees shall be prorated in whole  
22 months if service starts after February 1. After the initial purchase, all renewals shall be billed  
23 in January, and the entire annual fee for that calendar year shall be due and payable upon  
24 billing."  
25 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

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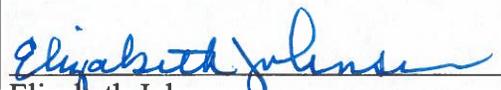
**DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 17 day of October, 2023.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WAHKIAKUM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**ATTEST:**



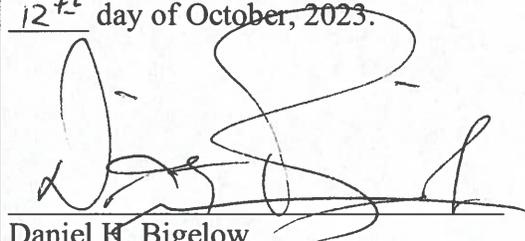
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Lee Tischer, Chairman

  
Elizabeth Johnson  
Clerk of the Board



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Daniel L. Cothren, Commissioner

**APPROVED AS TO FORM** this  
12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.



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Daniel H. Bigelow  
Prosecuting Attorney



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Eugene Strong, Commissioner