CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 1060

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CLAIMS AGAINST DECEDENT'S ESTATE -- FILING WITH COURT REQUIRED

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Passed by the House February 15, 1991 Yeas 87 Nays 0

JOE KING

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 27, 1991 Yeas 48 Nays 0

JOEL PRITCHARD
President of the Senate

CERTIFICATE

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1060** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

ALAN THOMPSON

Chief Clerk

Approved April 8, 1991 FILED

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BOOTH GARDNER
Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington

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By Representatives Ludwig, Padden, R. Meyers, Orr, Winsley and Sheldon.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to notice to the creditors of a deceased person;
- 2 amending RCW 11.40.010; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 11.40.010 and 1989 c 333 s 1 are each amended to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 Every personal representative shall, after appointment and
- 7 qualification, give a notice to the creditors of the deceased, stating
- 8 such appointment and qualification as personal representative and
- 9 requiring all persons having claims against the deceased to serve the
- 10 same on the personal representative or the estate's attorney of record,
- 11 and file an executed copy thereof with the clerk of the court, within
- 12 four months after the date of the first publication of such notice
- 13 described in this section or within four months after the date of the
- 14 filing of the copy of such notice with the clerk of the court,

- 1 whichever is the later, or within the time otherwise provided in RCW
- 2 11.40.013. The four-month time period after the later of the date of
- 3 the first publication of the notice to creditors or the date of the
- 4 filing of such notice with the clerk of the court is referred to in
- 5 this chapter as the "four-month time limitation." Such notice shall be
- 6 given as follows:
- 7 (1) The personal representative shall give actual notice, as
- 8 provided in RCW 11.40.013, to such creditors who become known to the
- 9 personal representative within such four-month time limitation;
- 10 (2) The personal representative shall cause such notice to be
- 11 published once in each week for three successive weeks in the county in
- 12 which the estate is being administered; and
- 13 (3) The personal representative shall file a copy of such notice
- 14 with the clerk of the court.
- Except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.011 or 11.40.013, any
- 16 claim not filed within the four-month time limitation shall be forever
- 17 barred, if not already barred by any otherwise applicable statute of
- 18 limitations. Proof by affidavit of the giving and publication of such
- 19 notice shall be filed with the court by the personal representative.
- 20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
- 21 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 22 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
- 23 effect immediately.

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