

## EXECUTIVE ORDER #98-01

WHEREAS, the bid responses to Whatcom County's request for Novel software licenses have been rejected as either unresponsive or in excess of expenditure authority, and

WHEREAS, submitting to the bid process over again will require at least one additional month, and

WHEREAS, Whatcom County is in jeopardy of being in violation of its license agreements which will result in the need to curtail certain use of the computer network and related e-mail systems, and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists which if not remedied as soon as possible will result in the County suffering a material loss in productivity of the employees who rely on the computer system and a material loss in productivity of the employees working on implementing the system,

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Home Rule Charter for Whatcom County,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that an emergency situation exists and the ADS-Finance/Purchasing Division is hereby authorized to purchase Novel Licenses and maintenance from Software Spectrum, the Novel-authorized vendor for government purchases, pursuant to the state government services purchasing contract, for the amount of \$25,490.39.

DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1998.



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**Pete Kremen**  
County Executive