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## Executive Somers Appoints Neepaporn "A" Boungjaktha as Executive Director

Responsibilities include overseeing trade and economic development, as well as Paine Field Airport

**SNOHOMISH COUNTY, Wash., September 26, 2022** – Today, Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers announced the appointment of Neepaporn "A" Boungjaktha as Executive Director for Economic Development. Ms. Boungjaktha was most recently a Senior Executive Management Analyst, responsible for tourism and trade in the Executive Office. As Executive Director, she will oversee all of Snohomish County's economic development activities, including Paine Field Airport.

"I am looking forward to working with A in this new role, since she has a wealth of local, regional and international experience," said Executive Somers. "As we support our workers, businesses, and non-profits, we will rely on the leadership of A and her team. We have an ambitious agenda to attract new businesses, retain those that are already here, and support our workforce."

"Snohomish County is the global center of manufacturing, aerospace, and other high-tech industries, and we must work to continue building on our historic success," said Executive Director Boungjaktha. "I believe we have opportunities over the next few years to diversify our economy, upgrade our legacy industries, and maintain our gold standard workforce development system. We know we must be aggressive in order to compete for workers and new investments, and I look forward to leading Snohomish County's efforts."

Ms. Boungjaktha's first day as Executive Director was on September 12, 2022.

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