RESOLUTION NO. 13-634

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Federal Way, Washington, approving the placement of the county-wide 2014-2019 Medic One/Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Levy on the King County ballot.

WHEREAS, the delivery of emergency medical services is an essential function of the fire and life safety responsibility of local and regional government; and

WHEREAS, the internationally recognized countywide tiered Medic One/EMS system in King County provides county residents and visitors essential life-saving services throughout the region regardless of location, incident circumstances, day of the week, or time of day; and

WHEREAS, it has been to the benefit of the citizens of the City of Federal Way to support and participate in the county-wide cooperative of delivering Advanced Life Support and Basic Life Support services; and

WHEREAS, King County should continue to exercise leadership and assume responsibility for assuring the consistent, standardized, effective and cost efficient development and provision of emergency services throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.52.069 provides for emergency medical care and service levies; and

WHEREAS, the highly praised patient and program services of the King County Medic One/EMS system are funded by a Medic One/EMS levy that expires December 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the EMS Advisory Task Force, created via King County Ordinance 15862, worked collaboratively with EMS Stakeholders to develop the Medic One/EMS 2014-2019 Strategic Plan to continue providing this service and has recommended a countywide levy rate of 33.5 cent per \$1,000 assessed value to fund EMS service throughout King County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Federal Way significantly participated in these discussions throughout the process and was represented on the Task Force; and

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WHEREAS, RCW 84.52.069 requires that cities with a population greater than fifty thousand approve a countywide levy prior to placement on a ballot; and

WHEREAS, the City of Federal Way has a population of 89,460 people.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FEDERAL WAY, RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The above findings are found to be true and correct in all respects.

Section 2. The City of Federal Way approves the placement of the proposed six-year \$.335 per thousand dollars of assessed value county-wide Medic One/EMS Levy for the years 2014-2019 on the King County ballot.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution.

Section 4. Corrections. The City Clerk and the codifiers of this resolution are authorized to make necessary corrections to this resolution including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener/clerical errors, references, resolution numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

<u>Section 5</u>. <u>Ratification</u>. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this resolution is hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 6. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage by the Federal Way City Council.

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RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FEDERAL WAY, WASHINGTON this 5th day of March, 2013.

CITY OF FEDERAL WAY

MAYOR, SKIP PRIEST

ATTEST:

CMC CITY CLERK, CAROL MCNE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY, PATRICIA A. RICHARDSON

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