CITY OF REDMOND RESOLUTION NO. 1386

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING THE COUNTYWIDE 2014-2019 MEDIC ONE/EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) LEVY

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 Redmond to support and participate in the countywide 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 countywide 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 countywide Medic One/EMS levy that expires December 31, 2013; and

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond has a population of 52,000 people.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

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

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Redmond supports the proposed six-year, \$.335 per thousand dollars of assessed value, countywide Medic One/EMS Levy for the years 2014-2019 and urges the voters to vote for the levy.

ADOPTED by the Redmond City Council this 19 day of March, 2013

APPROVED:

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

(SEAL)

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:

March 5, 2013 PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: March 19, 2013

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YES: Allen, Carson, Flynn, Margeson, Myers, Stilin, and Vache