

RESOLUTION NO. 957

CITY OF LACEY

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON IN SUPPORT OF THE NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS LEVY.

WHEREAS, the North Thurston Public Schools provides educational services to the children of Lacey from kindergarten through twelfth grade; and

WHEREAS, the constitution of the State of Washington requires that the State provide funds for basic education from kindergarten through twelfth grade; and

WHEREAS, the State of Washington is able to provide only 66% of the amount required to fund these services for the North Thurston Public School; and

WHEREAS, the constitution and laws of the State of Washington require that a proposition to levy excess taxes to meet funding needs of a School must be submitted to the qualified electors of the district for their ratification or rejection; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the North Thurston Public School has scheduled an election for February 9, 2010, to collect an average of \$28.2 million per year from 2011–2012 at a cost of approximately \$2.55 per \$1,000 of assessed property value for the Replacement Educational Maintenance and Operations Levy, based on recommendations of the North Thurston Citizen's for Schools; and

WHEREAS, the caliber of education provided by the North Thurston Public School has a direct bearing on the quality of life of present and future residents, the ability of youth to succeed in other learning venues, the employability of youth, and the economic viability of the City of Lacey, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, strongly supports the ballot issue for the North Thurston Public School for a Replacement Educational Maintenance and Operations Levy; and encourages voters to approve this ballot issue on February 9, 2010.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, this 14th day of January, 2010.

Resolution 957 was passed by the City Council and signed on January 14, 2010.