

RESOLUTION NO. 878

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE MERGER OF THE
MUNICIPALITY OF METROPOLITAN SEATTLE AND KING
COUNTY

WHEREAS the City of Redmond participated with suburban cities, the City of Seattle, and King County in lengthy discussions regarding regional governance and delivery of governmental services ("the Summit"); and

WHEREAS the goal of the representatives to the Summit was to create a new regional dynamic of cooperative decision making through structural and procedural reform; and

WHEREAS the final negotiated Regional Governance Summit agreement would have provided the citizens of King County an opportunity to create a new regional government by 1) merging King County and Metro; 2) creating an expanded 13-member county-wide legislative body and new intergovernmental committees; and 3) providing for non-partisan elected offices; and

WHEREAS the King County Council unilaterally decided not to place the question on non-partisan elections before the voters in November 1991; and

WHEREAS unilateral action by the King County Council to change the negotiated Summit agreement violates the trust built during the Summit process and raises a question of institutional credibility and integrity; and

WHEREAS the resultant ballot measures will not result in either a new regional government or significant change in the dynamic of regional decision making, but rather in a King County takeover of Metro; and

WHEREAS the City of Redmond continues to support intergovernmental coordination and cooperation in the planning and provision of regional services; and

WHEREAS Metro provides for coordinated and cooperative planning and programming of governmental services; now therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. To oppose the November 1991 ballot measures relating to the King County takeover of Metro

Section 2. To support legislative action to restructure the Metro Council.

RESOLVED THIS 22nd day of October, 1991

APPROVED:


MAYOR, DOREEN MARCHIONE

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:


CITY CLERK, DORIS A. SCHAIBLE

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