REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION NO. 50

A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region amending Resolution No. 41 and recommending that elections officials conduct the RTA's election by use of regular polling place balloting.

WHEREAS, a Regional Transit Authority ("RTA") has been created for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region by action of their respective county councils pursuant to RCW 81.112.030; and

WHEREAS, on October 29, 1994, the RTA Board adopted a Regional Transit System Master Plan which identifies an initial phase for implementation; and

WHEREAS, after adoption, said Plan was transmitted to the legislative authorities of the RTA's participating counties to act to confirm or rescind their continued participation in the Authority as provided in RCW 81.112.030; and

WHEREAS, implementation of said Plan and its initial phase will require the imposition of taxes which must be approved by a majority of voters within the boundaries of the Authority pursuant to various requirements in Chapters 81.104 and 81.112 RCW; and

WHEREAS, election officials of the RTA's participating counties previously requested that the Board of the RTA provide as much notice as possible concerning details of the proposed election; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 37 adopted September 23, 1994, the Board of the RTA established and fixed the boundaries of the Authority and authorized the Executive Director to submit such information to the election officials of said counties; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 41, adopted October 29, 1994, the Board of the RTA expressed its intent to place a ballot proposition before the voters at a special election on March 14, 1995, and recommended that said election be conducted using a mail ballot; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Task Force of the RTA Board has continued to review available methods of election, including traditional polling place balloting and mail-in balloting as authorized by Chapter 29.36 RCW, and has found significant risk and uncertainty in continuing to pursue mail balloting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority as follows:

Section 1. The Board of the Regional Transit Authority hereby recommends to the election officials of Pierce, King, and Snohomish Counties that the RTA's election be conducted using regular polling place balloting procedures as provided by Chapter 29.36 RCW, and hereby amends Resolution No. 41 adopted by the Board on October 29, 1994 to rescind Section 2.

Section 2. The Board of the Regional transit Authority hereby authorizes the Executive Director to take such steps as may be necessary to work collaboratively with election officials to implement the policies and determinations of Resolution No. 41, as amended, and of this Resolution No. 50 in anticipation of the completion of steps prerequisite to a special election for the purposes set forth in RCW 81.112.030 and RCW 81.104.140.

ADOPTED by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region at a regular meeting thereof held on December 16, 1994.

Bruce Laing

Chair of the Board

ATTEST:

Marcia Walker

Board Administrator

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