REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION NO. 60

A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region establishing a policy promoting a fair work environment for local labor utilized by suppliers, manufacturers and contractors involved on RTA projects.

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, by Resolution 40, adopted October 29, 1994, the RTA Board adopted a Regional Transit System Master Plan which called for the design and construction of various commuter and light rail projects funded by local taxes and state and federal funds; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 52 adopted January 13, 1995, the RTA Board established a policy to maximize construction contract opportunities for local and disadvantaged contractors and authorized the Executive Director to develop a contracting plan and procedures implementing the policy for further Board review and action; and

WHEREAS, the public interest will benefit from whatever steps the RTA can implement consistent with applicable laws and regulations to promote the use of local labor, to require the payment of prevailing wages and to maintain a safe and non-discriminatory work environment for labor involved in RTA projects;

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 adopts for the design and construction of the Phase I System of the Regional Transit System Master Plan a policy goal of requiring the utilization of local labor, the payment of prevailing wages and the maintenance of

a safe and non-discriminatory work environment to the maximum extent allowable by applicable laws and regulations and consistent with sound project management principles and economic benefit to the RTA through competitive bidding practices. The Executive Director is requested to include within the contracting plan being developed pursuant to Resolution No. 52 for further Board review and action appropriate requirements which reflect this policy after consultation with the local contracting and consulting community and with state and federal grant agencies.

Section 2. The Executive Director and the RTA's legal counsel are further requested to review the operational and legal feasibility of project labor agreements to assist the Board in determining whether they should be included within the RTA's contracting plan and to report their recommendations to the Board's Rules Committee by April 30, 1995.

ADOPTED by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region on this 24th day of February, 1995.

Bruce Laing

Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Marcia Walker

Board Administrator