

## REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

### RESOLUTION NO. 68

A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties region commending Governor Lowry for supporting and recognizing the RTA's role in Washington State's transportation system.

WHEREAS, the role of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority in providing mobility in King, Pierce and Snohomish counties was at issue during the 1st Regular, and 1st Extraordinary and 2nd Extraordinary Sessions of the 54th Legislature; and

WHEREAS, numerous legislators advocated repealing the statutory authority of the RTA subsequent to the March 14, 1995 vote on the first phase of a regional transit plan; and

WHEREAS, statutory language was actually included in 2ESHB 2080, the 1995 Transportation Budget, which would have proscribed the RTA's activities and made more difficult the achieving of its role in the state's transportation system; and

WHEREAS, Governor Mike Lowry has consistently supported and understood the importance of a regional, multi-modal approach to Puget Sound's transportation problems; and

WHEREAS, Governor Lowry has consistently supported the RTA's role in addressing these needs; and

WHEREAS, Governor Lowry vetoed restrictive language in 2ESHB 2080, preserving the RTA's flexibility and statutory authority to fulfill its role; and

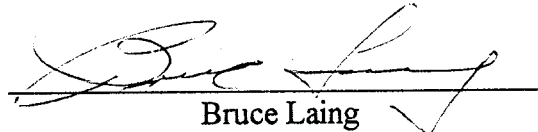
WHEREAS, Governor Lowry was forced to make this decision in the midst of a complex and difficult political construct;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority to commend Governor Lowry for his continuing and constant support and recognition of our role in the larger construct of Washington's transportation system; and

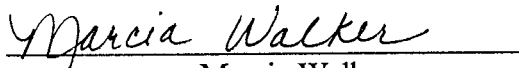
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Governor Lowry be supported in his efforts to achieve a multi-modal solution to mobility problems in Central Puget Sound; and

BE IT FINALLYL RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to Governor Lowry in appreciation of his efforts and those of his appointed staff responsible for transportation issues.

ADOPTED by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region at a regular meeting thereof held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 1995.

  
Bruce Laing  
Chair of the Board

ATTEST:

  
Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator