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CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 8520

A RESOLUTION supporting the County-Wide 2014-2019 Medic One/Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Levy.

WHEREAS, the delivery of emergency medical services is an essential function of the fire and life safety responsibility of local and regional government; and

WHEREAS, the internationally recognized county-wide tiered Medic One/EMS system in King County provides county residents and visitors essential life-saving services throughout the region regardless of location, incident circumstances, day of the week, or time of day; and

WHEREAS, it has been to the benefit of the citizens of the City of Bellevue to support and participate in the county-wide cooperative of delivering Advanced Life Support and Basic Life Support services; and

WHEREAS, King County should continue to exercise leadership and assume responsibility for assuring the consistent, standardized, effective and cost efficient development and provision of emergency services throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.52.069 provides for county-wide emergency medical care and service levies; and

WHEREAS, the highly praised patient and program services of the King County Medic One/EMS system are funded by a county-wide Medic One/EMS levy that expires December 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the EMS Advisory Task Force, created via King County Ordinance 15862, worked collaboratively with EMS Stakeholders to develop the Medic One/EMS 2014-2019 Strategic Plan to continue providing this county-wide service and has recommended an initial levy rate of 33.5 cents per $1,000 assessed value to fund EMS service throughout King County, and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellevue significantly participated in these discussions throughout the process and was represented on the Task Force; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.52.069 requires that cities with a population greater than fifty thousand approve a countywide levy prior to placement on a ballot; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellevue has a population of 130,200 people; now therefore,

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

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Section 1. The above is found to be true and correct in all aspects.

Section 2. The City of Bellevue supports the proposed six-year $.335 per thousand dollars of assessed value county-wide Medic One/EMS Levy for the years 2014-2019 and urges the voters to vote for the Levy.

Passed by the City Council this 25th day of February, 2012, and signed in authentication of its passage this 25th day of February, 2012.

(SEAL)

Conrad Lee, Mayor

Attest:

Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk