

RESOLUTION #12-01
Northwest Regional Council
March 22, 2012

WHEREAS, by Public Law 761 of the second session, 83rd Congress, and Chapter 4, Laws of the Extraordinary Session of 1955, Congress and the legislature of the State of Washington have expressed their intent that the benefits of the federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance (OASI) program may be made available at their option to members of existing public retirement systems, in addition to and without any reduction or impairment of the protection and benefits afforded by such systems; and

WHEREAS, **Northwest Regional Council** desires to offer Social Security coverage to its eligible employees,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the **Northwest Regional Council** does hereby adopt the following resolution:

SECTION 1. It is hereby declared to be the policy and purpose of the **Northwest Regional Council** to extend the provisions of RCW 41.48.030, providing Social Security coverage to eligible employees of the **Northwest Regional Council**.

SECTION 2. In pursuance of this policy, **Northwest Regional Council** requests the Department of Retirement Systems, as the duly designated State Social Security Administrator, to supervise a majority vote referendum, under Section 218(d)(3) of the Social Security Act, for eligible employees who are members of the **Public Employees Retirement System**. The majority vote referendum will be conducted pursuant to applicable State and Federal laws and regulations for the purpose of allowing eligible employees, as a retirement system group, the opportunity of paying the Social Security tax.

SECTION 3. The **Executive Director** is authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the State of Washington to secure Social Security coverage of eligible employees as provided in Section 1.

SECTION 4. If the referendum is favorable, the coverage of eligible employees shall be effective as of **01/01/1994**.

SECTION 5. Withholdings from salaries or wages of employees for the purposes provided in Section 1 of this Resolution are hereby authorized to be made in the amounts and at such times as may be required by applicable State and Federal laws and regulations, and shall be paid to the Internal Revenue Service, in such amounts and at such times as are designated in IRS Code 3121(b)(7)(E) and 3126.

SECTION 6. Employer contributions shall be paid from amounts appropriated for such purposes to the Internal Revenue Service in accordance with applicable Federal laws.

SECTION 7. The **Northwest Regional Council** shall maintain such records and submit such reports as may be required by applicable State and Federal laws or regulations.

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 12-01, APPROVED THIS 22nd DAY OF MARCH 2012.

NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL:



Sharon Dillon, Chair
Skagit County Commissioner



Kelly Emerson
Island County Commissioner



Jamie Stephens
San Juan County Council Member



Jack Louws
Whatcom County Executive



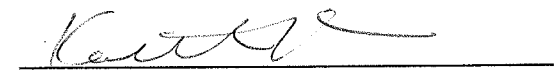
Ron Wesen
Skagit County Commissioner



Helen Price Johnson, Vice-Chair
Island County Commissioner



Rich Peterson
San Juan County Council Member



Kathy Kershner
Whatcom County Council Member

CERTIFICATION:

I, **Victoria Doerper, Executive Director**, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution passed by the **Northwest Regional Council** on the 22nd day of March, 2012.



Victoria Doerper, Executive Director
Northwest Regional Council

3-23-12

Date