RESOLUTION <u>R-5042</u>

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND STATING THE CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT FOR PROPOSITION NO. 1, THE LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 414 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$404,000,000.

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2014, voters in the City of Kirkland will decide whether to approve Proposition No. 1, the Lake Washington School District general obligation bonds measure; and

WHEREAS, the schools of Lake Washington School District face overcrowding and there is a critical need for additional classroom space; and

WHEREAS, the current enrollment of the Lake Washington School District is nearing the total capacity of the District and the District is expecting an additional 4,000 students in the next eight years; and

WHEREAS, in order to build schools to house projected enrollment growth and reduce current overcrowding, the Board of Directors of the Lake Washington School District adopted a resolution to place a \$404 million general obligation bonds measure on the April 22 ballot; and

WHEREAS, if successful, the \$404 million bonds measure would fund construction of a new elementary school in Kirkland, the reconstruction of Juanita High School, a new STEM (science, technology and mathematics) focused school on the Juanita campus, and an addition to Lake Washington High School, among other projects; and

WHEREAS, the investment in top-quality education for our children is an important part of the quality of life enjoyed by Kirkland residents; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to State law, RCW 42.17A.555, the City Council desires to show its support for Proposition No. 1, the Lake Washington School general obligation bonds measure;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby supports Proposition No. 1, the Lake Washington School District No. 414 General Obligation Bonds - \$404, 0000,000.

<u>Section 2</u>. The City Council hereby urges Kirkland voters to support the Lake Washington School District general obligation bond measure to ensure continued high quality education to the benefit of our community and quality of life.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 18th day of March, 2014.

Signed in authentication thereof this 18th day of March, 2014.

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Attest:

Suja Mullin City Clerk