RESOLUTION R-5155

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND SUPPORTING KING COUNTY PROPOSITION NO. 1, A REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY TO FUND PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES.

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2015, voters in King County will decide whether to approve a levy to provide funding for prevention and early intervention to achieve positive outcomes related to: healthy pregnancy; parental and newborn support; healthy child and youth development; the health and well-being of communities; and crisis prevention and early intervention for children and youth, including for domestic violence and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, this proposition would authorize King County to levy an additional regular property tax of \$0.14 or less per \$1,000 of assessed valuation on all taxable property within King County for a six-year period with collection beginning in 2016 and authorize maximum annual increases of three percent in years two through six; and

WHEREAS, levy proceeds would be used to improve the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities, with 50 percent focused on children under 5 years of age, 35 percent on children aged 5 through 24; 10 percent on communities of opportunity, and the remaining 5 percent as detailed in King County Council Ordinance 18088; and

WHEREAS, of the first year levy proceeds, \$19 million would fund a youth and family homelessness prevention initiative and cover levy elections costs; and

WHEREAS, an oversight and advisory board comprised of county residents and stakeholders with geographically and culturally diverse perspectives would also be established to make recommendations and monitor distribution of levy proceeds; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to improve the health and well-being of children, youth families and communities; and

 WHEREAS, pursuant to State law, RCW 42.17.130, the City Council of Kirkland desires to show its support for Proposition No. 1.

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

<u>Section 1</u>. The City Council supports Proposition No. 1, a Regular Property Tax Levy for Children, Youth Families and Communities.

<u>Section 2</u>. The City Council urges Kirkland voters to vote yes on Proposition No. 1.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 6th day of October, 2015.

Signed in authentication thereof this 6th day of October, 2015.

MAYOR MAYOR

Attest:

Xette (Anderson City Clerk