

RESOLUTION R-5205

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND SUPPORTING INITIATIVE MEASURE NO. 735, CONCERNING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL CONSTITUTION.

1           WHEREAS, the spending of money by individuals in elections has  
2 been construed by the U.S. Supreme Court to be protected free speech  
3 under the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States and  
4 those protections have been extended to corporations and other legal  
5 entities as well; and

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7           WHEREAS, previous U.S. Supreme Court decisions have eroded  
8 the authority of government to regulate campaign contributions and  
9 expenditures; and

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11           WHEREAS, the prompt disclosure of all political contributions and  
12 expenditures in a manner accessible to voters prior to elections is in the  
13 best interest of holding free and fair elections; and

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15           WHEREAS, Initiative 735 seeks to make Washington the 18th  
16 state calling for a U.S. constitutional amendment to overturn such  
17 decisions; and

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19           WHEREAS, as allowed by RCW 42.17A.555, the City Council of  
20 Kirkland desires to show its support to Initiative 735.


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

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25           Section 1. The City Council supports Initiative 735, concerning  
26 a proposed amendment to the Federal Constitution.

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28           Section 2. The City Council urges Kirkland voters to vote yes on  
29 Initiative 735.

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31           Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open  
32 meeting this 6th day of September, 2016.

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34           Signed in authentication thereof this 6th day of September,  
35 2016.

  
MAYOR

Attest:

  
City Clerk