## **RESOLUTION R-5581**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR KING COUNTY'S RE+ PLEDGE TO MINIMIZE SOLID WASTE.

WHEREAS, the Re+ program is a King County Solid Waste 1 2 Division program dedicated to reducing the impact of climate change by 3 preventing and reducing solid waste; and 4

WHEREAS, the Re+ program outlines a pathway to achieve the goal of minimizing solid waste and King County is seeking to partner with cities on local implementation of key plan elements; and

9 WHEREAS, key actions for the Re+ program include identifying 10 new ways of processing organics and recycling, developing recycling markets for organics, paper and plastic, and a community panel to 11 engage historically underrepresented and adversely impacted 12 community members to help guide future outcomes along with 13 14 developing new markets that will create local jobs in the private sector, 15 help build the green economy, and ensure a just and equitable impact on the members of our community; and 16

18 WHEREAS, supporting the Re+ program effort will help focus 19 local governments on a joint effort and responsibility to make progress toward reducing local GHG emissions by increasing waste prevention 20 and recycling, laying the foundation for developing a circular economy; 21 22 and 23

24 WHEREAS, the Re+ Pledge aligns with the City's commitments and efforts to address climate change including: 25

- City of Kirkland Sustainability Master Plan Sustainable Materials Management Chapter
  - King County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan
- King County Joint Commitments to climate change action and targets through the King County-Cities Climate Collaboration; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to express its support for the 33 shared vision that the Re+ program represents. 34 35

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City 36 of Kirkland as follows: 37 38

39 Section 1. The City Council supports King County's Re+ Pledge to minimize solid waste and authorizes the City Manager to execute the 40 Re+ Pledge attached hereto as Exhibit A. 41

Section 2. The City Council further expresses the City's desire 43 to work collaboratively with King County to achieve the vision of the 44 Re+ program in a fair, equitable, and inclusive manner with 45

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implementation support from the County including competitive grants,
model language for countywide program and policy implementation,
and technical support.

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Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2023.

Signed in authentication thereof this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2023.

June Penny Sweet, Mayor

Attest:

Kathi Anderson, City Clerk