

RESOLUTION NO. 2673

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND DECLARING THE CITY OF KIRKLAND'S OPPOSITION TO A MERGER BETWEEN METRO AND THE KING COUNTY GOVERNMENT, A PROPOSITION ON THE NOVEMBER 1979 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT.

WHEREAS, the Suburban Mayor's Association, which Kirkland is a member, has opposed the placement of the question on the ballot for the past two years; and

WHEREAS, the concerns expressed then regarding the fiscal impacts, the service impacts, the general governmental efficiency, and the question of representation under such a merger have not been adequately discussed or resolved during the last year; and

WHEREAS, no sound reasons have yet been documented indicating that a change in the current METRO structure would be beneficial to the citizens of the City of Kirkland; and

WHEREAS, the Kirkland City Council believes that the proposed merger is too important an action to be taken in the absence of more specific answers to cost and benefit, service, representation, and efficiency questions;

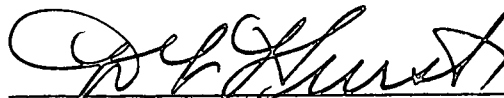
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1. The City of Kirkland opposes a merger between METRO and King County Government, a proposition to be voted on the November 1979 General Election.

Section 2. The City of Kirkland stands ready to review additional factual information as it becomes available and, at an appropriate time in the future, to reopen consideration of its position based on this information.


PASSED by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in regular meeting on the 15th day of October, 1979.

SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION thereof on the 15th day of October, 1979.



Mayor *Peterson*

ATTEST:



Director of Administration & Finance
(ex officio City Clerk)