

RESOLUTION NO. R-3867

A RESOLUTION OF THE KIRKLAND CITY COUNCIL EXPRESSING THANKS AND APPRECIATION FOR TWO OR MORE DECADES OF OUTSTANDING AND EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY BY DORIS COOPER, JOE MARTINEAU, AND BOB NEIR.

WHEREAS, Doris Cooper, Joe Martineau, and Bob Neir each served as members of the Kirkland City Council for twenty or more years, collectively representing over sixty-six years of public service to the community; and

WHEREAS, prior to service on the Kirkland City Council, Joe and Doris also served on the Houghton Town Council, and Bob served on the Houghton Transition Committee and Houghton Community Council; and

WHEREAS, being elected to five or more consecutive terms on the Kirkland City Council is a remarkable and unprecedented achievement and a testament to the high esteem and regard that Kirklanders held for Doris, Joe, and Bob; and

WHEREAS, the exceptional quality of life enjoyed by Kirklanders is to a significant degree attributable to the leadership and vision of Doris, Joe, and Bob; and

WHEREAS, one cannot look at present-day Kirkland's government with its outstanding customer-oriented services and sound fiscal condition, its magnificent system of parks and open space, beautiful neighborhoods, and thriving business districts and a City known as a leader in planning and improving its physical environment, without giving thanks to Doris, Joe, and Bob for their pivotal roles in transforming our community into one of the most desirable places to live, work, and play in the State of Washington; and


WHEREAS, Doris, Joe, and Bob's guidance and stewardship were also crucial to the successful 1988 annexations of the South Juanita and Rose Hill neighborhoods—the largest annexations to take place in Washington State for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, during their remarkable tenure on the City Council, Doris served as Kirkland's Mayor and President of the Suburban Cities Association of King County, Bob served as the Mayor of Kirkland and President of the Metro Council, and Joe served as Chairman of the City Council Finance Committee and as the City's representative to the METRO Council; and

WHEREAS, the civility, integrity, professionalism, intellect and leadership skills demonstrated by Doris, Joe, and Bob will be missed by their colleagues on the City Council, those associated with city government, and those in the community and region who have had the pleasure and privilege of knowing and working with them.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Kirkland City Council conveys its sincere thanks and appreciation to Doris Cooper, Joe Martineau, and Bob Neir for their invaluable contributions to the betterment of their community and for their extraordinary records of twenty or more years of public service. Be it further resolved that the City Council wishes them good luck and continued success in their future endeavors.

SIGNED this 15th day of March, 1994.

  
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Mayor

Attest:  
  
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City Clerk