

RESOLUTION R-4393

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE CITY OF KIRKLAND'S COMMITMENT TO THE STATE-WIDE EFFORT TO RECRUIT THE FINAL ASSEMBLY OF THE BOEING COMPANY'S 7E7 NEXT GENERATION COMMERCIAL JETLINER IN WASHINGTON STATE, KEEP ITS MANUFACTURING FACILITIES IN PUGET SOUND, AND SUSTAIN ITS RANK AS THE TOP COMMERCIAL AIRPLANE MAKER IN THE WORLD.

WHEREAS, Boeing has announced its national criteria and process for selecting a site for manufacturing the Boeing 7E7 next generation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, a broad-based partnership of leaders led by the Governor of the State of Washington has organized a unified, state-wide effort to recruit final assembly of the Boeing 7E7 next generation aircraft; and

WHEREAS, The Boeing Company and its workers contribute to the economic vitality of our region and retaining and recruiting companies which provide well-paid jobs is a top priority for Kirkland's elected officials;

WHEREAS, aerospace is a critical part of the Puget Sound region's economy, contributing \$17 billion to the regional economy in 2002, and final assembly of the 7E7 may potentially create another 20,000 direct/indirect jobs in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, Washington state is the optimal location in which to manufacture the Boeing 7E7 as our state provides the latest leading edge research, and a strong pool of highly trained and skilled aerospace workers; and

WHEREAS, the Puget Sound region's natural beauty and its premier quality of life make it an ideal place to live, work, and design and build the most advanced commercial jetliners in the world,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND THAT:

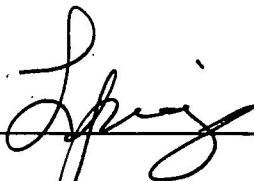
Section 1. The City of Kirkland supports the regional and state-wide commitment to recruit the production of the Boeing Company's 7E7 next generation commercial jetliner in Washington State, keep its manufacturing facilities in Puget Sound, and sustain its rank as the top commercial airplane maker in the world.

Section 2. The City of Kirkland will work with the state-wide effort to highlight our unique attributes in order to assist in producing a successful proposal for Boeing that will be used to select Washington State as the site for production of the Boeing 7E7 next generation airplane.

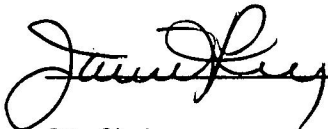
Section 3. The City of Kirkland will work cooperatively to strengthen the region's business climate and to support the further development of a skilled and educated local workforce.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Kirkland the 17th day of June, 2003,

City of Kirkland

  
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Larry Springer, Mayor

Attest:

  
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City Clerk