

RESOLUTION R- 4449

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND STATING THE CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT FOR THE KING COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM'S PROPOSITION #1 (CAPITAL REPLACEMENT BOND MEASURE).

WHEREAS on September 14, 2004, voters in the City of Kirkland will decide whether to approve a \$172 million capital replacement bond measure; and

WHEREAS the King County Library System has been community funded for more than 60 years; and

WHEREAS library use has increased 40 percent in the past 10 years, limiting patron access to services due to increased demand; and

WHEREAS the libraries are aging, maintenance costs continue to escalate, and increased usage has resulted in extensive wear and tear; and

WHEREAS Initiative 747, approved by the voters in 2001, has limited the ability of the System to set aside operating funds for capital needs; and

WHEREAS approval of the \$172 million capital bond would replace the expiring 1988 bond revenue and provide funding for the Library System's 10-year capital budget; and

WHEREAS the facilities plan ensures that the Library System can meet community needs, maintain a vibrant collection and sound infrastructure, and effectively prepare for the next decade of service to patrons; and

WHEREAS the investment in top-quality library facilities is an important part of the quality of life enjoyed by Kirkland residents; and

WHEREAS pursuant to State law, RCW 42.17.130, the City Council of Kirkland desires to show its support for the King County Library System's Capital Replacement Bond Measure;

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

Section 1: The City Council hereby supports Proposition #1, King County Library System General Obligation Bonds – \$172,000,000.

Section 2: The City Council hereby urges Kirkland voters to support the capital replacement bond measure to ensure continued high quality library service to the benefit of our community and quality of life.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 20th day of July, 2004.

Signed in authentication thereof this 20th day of July, 2004.

  
MAYOR

Attest:

  
City Clerk

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