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FRANKLIN COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #4
RESOLUTION 6

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF LEVY

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #4 RELATING TO REGULAR PROPERTY TAXES; PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT ON NOVEMBER 5, 2013 OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT TO LEVY REGULAR PROPERTY TAXES IN EXCESS OF THE LIMITATIONS OF RCW 84.55; AND SETTING FORTH THE TEXT OF THE BALLOT PROPOSITION.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Franklin County Fire Protection District No. 4 (the "District") has determined that it is in the interest of the District to increase funds in order to operate and maintain fire protection and suppression capabilities and services and the facilities needed therefor; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55.050 provides for the levy of regular property taxes in an amount exceeding the limitations specified in RCW 84.55 if such increased levy is authorized by a ballot proposition approved by a majority of the voters at an election held within the taxing district (a "levy lid lift"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the District and its residents to submit a levy lid lift proposition under RCW 84.55.050(1) to the voters for their approval or rejection;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Franklin County Fire Protection District #4, Franklin County, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. Calling of Election. The Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the best interests of the District to submit to the qualified voters of the District, at the general election to be held on November 5, 2013 a proposition authorizing the District to increase its regular property tax levy for collection in 2014 by an amount greater than otherwise permitted under RCW 84.55. If this proposition is approved, the Board of Commissioners will be authorized to adopt, in accordance with its regular budget process, an increased regular property tax as described in Section 2.

Section 2. Purpose and Description of Ballot Proposition (the "Proposition"). For the purposes identified below, the Board of Commissioners seeks voter approval under RCW 84.55.050 for a levy lid lift, as follows:

(a) Purpose. The amounts collected pursuant to the increase authorized by the Proposition shall be used for the operations and facilities of the District in providing fire protection and suppression services.

(b) Increase Authorized in 2014. The Proposition authorizes a maximum increase in the District's total levy rate to the maximum rate otherwise allowed for collection in 2014

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under RCW 84.55 plus an amount not to exceed \$0.29 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value. The total regular property tax rate produced is estimated to be approximately \$0.62 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value, based on estimated 2013 assessed values.

(c) Increase Authorized in Future Years. Pursuant to RCW 84.55.050(4), the dollar amount of the maximum authorized levy under RCW 84.55 for collection in 2014 shall be used for the purpose of computing the limitations for subsequent levies provided for under RCW 84.55, and such funds shall be limited to the purposes described in Section 2(a) above.

Section 3. Ballot Proposition. The Auditor of Franklin County Washington (the "Auditor"), as *ex officio* supervisor of elections, is hereby requested to call and conduct an election in the District, in the manner provided by law, to be held on the date identified in Section 1 for the purpose of submitting to the voters of the District, a proposition in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION

Franklin County Fire Protection District #4 – Board of Commissioners
Proposition Authorizing the Increase of Existing Property Tax Levies.

The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County Fire Protection District No. 4 adopted Resolution No. 6 asking voters to increase property taxes for operations and facility improvements. This proposition would increase the District's regular property tax levy by \$0.29 per \$1,000.00 over the current levy of assessed valuation for collection beginning in 2014 and use the 2014 levy amount to recalculate subsequent levy limits. Should this proposition be:

Approved

Rejected

Section 4. Notices Relating to Ballot Proposition. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot proposition required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board of Commissioners hereby designates (1) Jim Klawnsmeier and (2) legal counsel to the District, Kuffel, Hultgrenn, Klashke, Shea & Ellerd, LLP (Dan Hultgrenn, 509-545-8531, dhultgrenn@khkslaw.com) as the individuals to whom such notice should be provided.

Section 5. Authorization to Deliver Resolution and Perform Other Necessary Duties. The District Secretary is authorized and directed, no later than August 4, 2013, to certify a copy of this resolution to the Auditor and to perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to the end that the Proposition described herein should appear on the ballot at the general election identified in Section 1 of this resolution.

Section 6. Severability. The recitals stated above (i.e. the "Whereas" clauses) constitute specific findings by the Board of Commissioners in support of passage of this resolution. If any provision of this resolution is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be separable from the remaining

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provisions of this resolution, and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution or of any other resolution, or of the levy or collection of the taxes authorized herein.

Adoption: ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Franklin County Fire Protection District #4, Franklin County, Washington, at a special public meeting of such board on the 30 day of July, 2013, the following Commissioners being present and voting:


COMMISSIONER


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ATTEST:

SECRETARY