## **RESOLUTION NO. 61**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING THE REGIONAL CABLE TV NEGOTIATIONS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS.

WHEREAS, the current cable TV provider in University Place, Viacom, is selling its franchise to TCI; and

WHEREAS, TCI is offering the 15 jurisdictions that comprise the membership of the Rainier Cable Commission (RCC) an opportunity to raise the cable TV franchise fee from 3% to 5%, as allowed in the 1992 Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992; and

WHEREAS, TCI has also offered to contribute 25 cents per subscriber towards the support of public, education, and community (P.E.G.) channels each month, if each city also contributes a like amount out of its increased franchise fee revenues towards the support of the same; and

WHEREAS, the higher level of support allows RCC to expand and improve programming on public, education, and community channels; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

The City of University Place supports the current regional negotiations to increase the franchise fee and contribute 25 cents per subscriber to support public, education, and community programs on cable TV and hopes that the negotiations will be successfully concluded. The City also appreciates and wishes to thank TCI for the offers that it has extended.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 16, 1995.

Mayor Stanley L. K. Flemming

ATTEST:

Susan Matthew, City Clerk