

RESOLUTION NO. 165

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, CALLING ON GOVERNOR LOCKE AND THE WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE TO RESTORE FULL FUNDING OF THE SALES TAX EQUALIZATION ACCOUNT FOR CITIES AND TOWNS

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature created the Sales Tax Equalization Account to provide Cities and Towns with a proportionate share of Washington State sales tax equalization revenue; and

WHEREAS, the State is not currently funding Sales Tax Equalization at the statutorily established level; and

WHEREAS, sales tax equalization revenues are used to benefit all citizens of Washington State through street construction, pedestrian safety enhancements, parks and recreational opportunities, public safety, capital projects and facilities, etc.; and

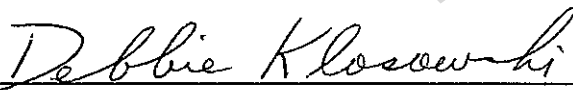
WHEREAS, incorporations of new cities have dramatically decreased the revenues available to each city, old and new alike, resulting in significantly less revenue available to their general funds; and

WHEREAS, said reductions of revenues have curtailed projects and services thereby reducing the quality of life for our citizens, **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON DO HEREBY PETITION THE GOVERNOR AND THE WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE TO RESTORE TO A FUNDING LEVEL SUCH THAT IT PROVIDES 100 PERCENT OF THE FUNDING FORMULA PER EACH CITY AND TOWN ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THESE MONIES EFFECTIVE WITH THIS LEGISLATIVE SESSION;

FURTHER, THAT NO REDUCTIONS BE MADE TO OR TRANSFER MADE FROM THE MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX (MVET) FUND UNTIL SALES TAX EQUALIZATION IS RESTORED TO FULL FUNDING.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON FEBRUARY 2, 1998



Mayor Debbie Klosowski

ATTEST:



Susan Matthew, City Clerk