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SUBJECT: Support HB 2718 relating to Reasonable Ferry Fares

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POULSBO, WASHINGTON, VOICING SUPPORT FOR HOUSE BILL 2718, RELATING TO REASONABLE FARES FOR FREQUENT USERS OF WASHINGTON FERRIES AND SUPPORT FOR RESPONSIBLE AND ONGOING FUNDING OF OUR FERRY SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Washington State Ferry System is both an extension of our highway system and a mass transit system, yet it is funded as neither; and

WHEREAS, as a ferry dependent community, Poulsbo includes many regular and part time commuters as well as residents who rely on the ferry for our across-the-Sound business, cultural and social connections; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of I-695 we have watched fares spiral beyond reach of many in our moderate-income community as the ferry system has simultaneously lost a half million riders annually; and

WHEREAS, many more people now drive around at a time when the ferries operate partially full; and

WHEREAS, the potential benefit of affordable fares should be considered to increase ridership, now therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POULSBO, WASHINGTON HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the State Legislature should commit to ongoing funding for our ferry system and fair evaluation of the impact of increasing fares on ferry communities, commuters, part time commuters and local residents who can no longer afford to ride the ferries.

RESOLVED this 20th day of February, 2008.

APPROVED:

MAYOR, KATHRYN H. QUADE

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

CITY CLERK, KAROL JONES

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