RESOLUTION NO. 911

A RESOLUTION FOR FAIR TAXATION BY SUPPORTING A COOPERATIVE CITY-COUNTY TRANSIENT ROOM TAX SHARING AGREEMENT AND TO OPPOSE DOUBLE TAXATION AND LIMITATION OF LOCAL CONTROL.

WHEREAS, the City of Wilsonville finds the proposed deletion of local option from the current Transient Room Tax of Clackamas County would impose an unfair and disparate impact of double taxation upon the classification of motels which are currently subject to a City tax and are within Clackamas County. This is exacerbated for those motels within Clackamas County which have competitors located within the same city, but in a different county, which allows a sharing agreement to avoid double taxation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed deletion by Clackamas County of local option would, as a practical matter, limit the ability of local government to develop a tourism and development program in partnership with its local chamber of commerce, and also in the case of the City of Wilsonville, with the Tualatin Valley Economic Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed deletion by Clackamas County of local option would, as a practical matter, further limit the ability of local government, especially located along the I-5 corridor, to offset the service needs caused by the vast numbers of non local I-5 users; and

WHEREAS, the City officials of Clackamas County, in 1991, sponsored a forum with Washington County and Washington County city officials to assist in modelling cooperative agreements for Clackamas County and Clackamas city governments to follow; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wilsonville has previously enjoyed for 17 years a model cooperative sharing of a transient lodging tax with Washington County and has had a local option preference for eleven years with Clackamas County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wilsonville finds that presentation of a cooperative sharing agreement modeled after the Washington County Transient Room Tax would provide for a local option and create sufficient tax revenues to support the Clackamas County fair as well

as a Clackamas County Tourism and Development Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

(1)   To promote cooperation, between City and county government, to support efficient government and fair taxation by supporting a city county sharing agreement modelled after the Washington County Transient Room Tax ordinance and its 17 years of cooperative success; and
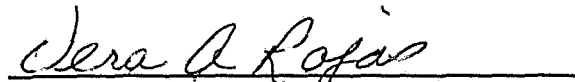
(2)   To oppose any tax which imposes a standard of double taxation on any classification of citizenry and the limitation of the City's local control to have non local users of services pay their fair share.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Wilsonville at a regular meeting thereof the 4th day of May 1992, and filed with the Wilsonville City Recorder this same day.

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GERALD A. KRUMMEL, Mayor

ATTEST:

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VERA A. ROJAS, CMC/AAE, City Recorder

SUMMARY of Votes:

Mayor Krummel	AYE
Councilor Carter	AYE
Councilor Chandler	AYE
Councilor Lehan	AYE
Councilor Van Eck	AYE