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CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 5840

A RESOLUTION adopting a joint resolution with the Bellevue School District to create a partnership to meet the needs of the community by focusing on schools as community resource centers.

WHEREAS, the complexity of community problems points to an increasing need for all governmental units and related public service organizations to mobilize their respective resources for the common purpose of improving the quality of community life; and

WHEREAS, the Bellevue School District and the City of Bellevue have a long history of joint cooperation in using public facilities and developing programs; and

WHEREAS, other related public, non-profit, and private community organizations provide programs and services for community betterment; and

WHEREAS, the limited amount of tax money and other resources available to meet public demands for facilities, programs, and services requires that it be used efficiently; and

WHEREAS, our community has facilities, equipment, and staff organized for the purpose of providing educational opportunities for children and youth; and

WHEREAS, our school and park facilities are a major focal point of this community; and

WHEREAS, one of a community's largest investments--its school buildings--could be used more efficiently to provide educational, recreational, cultural, and service programs for community residents of all ages; and

WHEREAS, great potential social and economic benefit can be derived from cooperation in facility use and program development for the benefit of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, a cohesive strategy to coordinate the efforts of the public, non-profit, and private sectors in developing and coordinating use of these community resources is needed; and

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WHEREAS, we believe that there is a direct link between the quality of community life and the ability of the School District successfully to fulfill its mission to provide K-12 education; and

WHEREAS, improving the quality of community life by providing facilities, services and programs is the mission of the City; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Bellevue joins the Bellevue School District in adopting the following mutual goal:

To further our common interest in enhancing the quality of community life in Bellevue, the City and School District will work as partners to meet the educational, recreational, cultural, social, health and human services needs of the community by focusing on schools as community resource centers.

Section 2. In furtherance of the goal established in Section 1 of this resolution, the City and the Bellevue School District agree to:

- A. Marshal the resources of the whole community to develop programs and deliver services needed or desired by community residents.
- B. Expand the uses and hours of operation at all public facilities to better meet the needs of the community.
- C. Identify and overcome barriers to joint facility use and program development and support.
- D. Explore ways to institutionalize and fund programs that will support the use of schools as community resource centers.
- E. Approve the City/School District 1995 Joint Work Program that will test and evaluate the use of schools as community resource centers with four pilot projects at several schools in the District's East Attendance Area Community. These projects include:

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- A Community School at Phantom Lake Elementary that is using school facilities to provide lifelong learning opportunities for all ages.
- 2. Joint Middle School Master Planning at Tillicum that is looking at ways to enhance community use and access to school facilities.
- A Human Services Collaborative that is finding better ways to give children and families access to health and human services at six schools in the attendance area.
- 4. A Neighborhood Outreach effort at Tillicum and its "feeder elementary schools" that is seeking to involve the local community in identifying needs that could be met at these neighborhood schools.

PASSED by the City Council this 5th day of Mecentur.

1994, and signed in authentication of its passage this 5th day of Mecentur.

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Donald S. Davidson, DDS, Mayor

Attest:

Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk

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