RESOLUTION NO. 3-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF PORT ANGELES, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING A POLICY TO PROTECT INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED IN NONVIOLENT CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATIONS.

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has passed Section 104(1) to the Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act stating that no Community Development Block Grant funds may be obligated or expended by any unit of general local government that fails to adopt and enforce a policy of prohibiting the use of excessive force by local law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations; or fails to adopt and enforce a policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the City of Port Angeles has received a Community Development Block
Grant and is required to comply with the Title I of the Housing and Community Development
Act; and

WHEREAS, the failure to enforce such policies may cause the City to lose its grant or eligibility for future federal grants;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Port Angeles, Washington:

1. It has been the policy and remains the policy of the City that excessive force by local law enforcement agencies shall not be used against individuals engaged in lawful and nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within the City boundaries.

- 2. It is the policy of the City to enforce applicable state and local laws against the physical barring of an entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.
- 3. The City Council directs the Police Chief to implement this Resolution through applicable Police Department procedures.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Port Angeles at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 16th day of January 2007.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Becky J. Upton, City Clerk

William E. Bloor, City Attorney