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CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 7320

A RESOLUTION supporting the General Fund and Technology/Capital Projects levy requests of the Bellevue School District.

WHEREAS, levy requests of the Bellevue School District for its General Fund and Capital Projects will be submitted to the voters at the February 7, 2006 election; and

WHEREAS, the General Fund levy will renew the levy expiring in 2006 and represents twenty-one percent of the District's operating budget; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Projects levy will replace the levy approved by voters in 2002 and will allow the District to continue modernizing district facilities by developing, acquiring and installing instructional technology, computer facilities and related infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, it is projected that the levies will increase the average 2000-2006 tax rate from \$2.22 per \$1,000 of assessed value, which is the lowest rate in the central Puget Sound region to \$2.30 per \$1,000 of assessed value; and

WHEREAS, the District has shown a strong commitment to excellence in education by adopting outstanding educational goals including:

- Smaller classes.
- Teacher training.
- Gifted and special education programs tailored to individual student needs.
- A seven-period middle and high school day.
- Communication between school and home to keep parents informed and engaged in their students' learning, and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to express support for the continuing efforts of the District to provide excellence in education and to support the District's efforts to provide the necessary funding to carry on with those efforts; now, therefore,

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

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Section 1. The City Council of the City of Bellevue hereby declares its support for and encourages approval of the General Fund and Technology/Capital levies, both of which will be presented to the voters at the February 7, 2006 special election.

Passed by the City Council this <u>17th</u> day of <u>January</u>, 200 and signed in authentication of its passage this <u>17th</u> day of <u>January</u> 2006, 2006.

(SEAL)

Grant Degginger, Mayor

Attest:

Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk