

**RESOLUTION NO. 89**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE,  
WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING PIERCE COUNTY  
PROPOSITION NO. 1 - FUNDING FOR A JAIL ADDITION, AT  
THE SPECIAL ELECTION OF MARCH 26, 1996, RELATING TO  
JAIL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION.**

**WHEREAS**, the total prisoner population in Pierce County's existing correctional facilities regularly exceeds 1,000 and has peaked over 1,200, and

**WHEREAS**, the Pierce County Detention and Corrections Center provides jail and corrections facilities for all felony offenders county-wide and most misdemeanants for many of the cities, and

**WHEREAS**, Pierce County is in urgent need of providing additional correctional facilities to alleviate overcrowding and avoid potential requirements for early release of prisoners, and

**WHEREAS**, Pierce County has a need to construct an interim jail facility pending construction of a permanent new jail,

**WHEREAS**, the County is building a temporary metal interim jail structure to be located on the southwest section of the County-City Building site,

**WHEREAS**, in partial settlement of a class action lawsuit by the jail inmates against the County alleging unconstitutional conditions related to overcrowding in the jail, the County has committed to reduce the population in the mail jail to 772 by July 1, 1996, which will require release of as many as 500 prisoners if the interim jail is not completed by that date, and

**WHEREAS**, the County has accepted the recommendation of its Corrections Facility Siting Task Force to locate a new 1,000 bed permanent jail facility on the northwest section of the County-City Building site, adjacent to the County's existing facility, and

**WHEREAS**, the County has requested that the City adopt a resolution endorsing the County's effort to secure financing for jail facilities, NOW, THEREFORE,

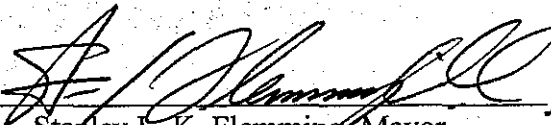
**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The City Council of University Place, Washington, does hereby express its support and endorsement of the County's effort to secure financing for jail facilities on the County-City Building site.

Section 2. The City Council supports Pierce County Proposition One at the special election to be held on March 26, 1996, which would authorize a sales and use tax at a rate equal to one-tenth of one percent for purposes of jail construction and operation.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon signing.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON MARCH 4, 1996.**

  
Stanley L. K. Flemming, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Susan Matthew, City Clerk