

**ORIGINAL**

**RESOLUTION 2011 - 72**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE,  
SUPPORTING THE BOARD OF YAKIMA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'  
RESOLUTION TO PLACE AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)  
LEVY ON THE BALLOT FOR APPROVAL BY THE VOTERS**

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Medical Services Levy supports a valuable EMS system in the City of Sunnyside and Yakima County; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing EMS Levy will expire at the end of the year 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the delivery of quality Emergency Medical Services is a recognized need for the residents of the City of Sunnyside; and

**WHEREAS**, the EMS Levy provides resources to train and deliver Emergency Medical Services in the City of Sunnyside and Yakima County; and

**WHEREAS**, the elimination of this resource would reduce responses, and the ability of provider agencies to continue the delivery of standardized Emergency Medical Services within the City of Sunnyside and Yakima County; and

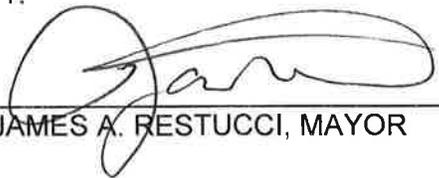
**WHEREAS**, the Board of Yakima County Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Yakima County to continue the EMS levy; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with RCW 84.52.069, Yakima County is seeking voter authorization of a ten-year EMS Levy of \$.25 per thousand of assessed valuation for the period of 2014 through 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2010, the stakeholders developed consensus around the future funding and operational plans for a 2014-2024 EMS Levy and unanimously endorsed a ten-year, \$.25 per thousand dollars of assessed value levy proposal.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYSIDE, WASHINGTON,** that the City Council of the City of Sunnyside supports and approves the Board of Yakima County Commissioners' decision to place the EMS levy before the voters at the current rate of \$.25 per thousand dollars of assessed value, county-wide EMS Levy for the years 2014 – 2024, and urges the voters to vote for the levy.

**PASSED** this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2011.

  
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JAMES A. RESTUCCI, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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DELILAH SAENZ, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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