

CITY OF GIG HARBOR

RESOLUTION NO. 287

A RESOLUTION OF THE GIG HARBOR CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING PIERCE COUNTY'S JAIL AND JUSTICE FACILITIES BOND ISSUE.

WHEREAS, Pierce County is experiencing a growing, drug-related crime problem impacting citizens of every community in the county directly or indirectly, including those of the City of Gig Harbor; and

WHEREAS, the County's adult correctional facility, which is responsible for pre-trial and post-conviction detention of all adult felons county-wide, is chronically overcrowded and incapable of meeting the increasing demands placed on it; and

WHEREAS, the lack of sufficient jail space is causing security and safety standards at the jail to deteriorate, as well as making jail space unavailable for increasing numbers of offenders; and

WHEREAS, population and crime growth rate projections indicate the dramatic increase in jail space demands will continue during the next decade; and

WHEREAS, the Juvenile Court detention facility, which is responsible for pre-trial and post-conviction detention and rehabilitation for all juvenile offenders county-wide, has deteriorated nearly to the point of obsolescence and is also incapable of meeting current or projected demands; and

WHEREAS, the resulting lack of access of law enforcement agencies and courts county-wide to detention facilities for detaining and punishing known law violators has contributed significantly to escalating crime rates and reduced public safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington, RESOLVES as follows:

Section 1. That passage of the Pierce County Jail and Justice Facilities Bond Issue is of critical importance to the health, safety, and well being of the citizens of the City of Gig Harbor, and should therefore be approved.

Section 2. That the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor endorses Pierce County's Jail and Justice Facilities Bond Issue and hereby urges all voters of the city to vote "yes" on September 18, 1990.

PASSED this 23rd day of July, 1990.

Gretchen A. Wilbert
Gretchen A. Wilbert, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael R. Wilson
Michael R. Wilson
City Administrator/Clerk

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