

RESOLUTION No.

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Refer renewal of Portland Children's Levy to City voters as a local option levy for five years commencing in FY 2014-15 (Resolution)

WHEREAS, in 2002 City voters approved the creation of the Portland Children's Levy through a five-year tax levy to improve the lives of Portland children.

WHEREAS, in 2008 City voters approved the renewal of the Portland Children's Levy.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy on average has annually supported programs for more than 14,000 Portland children who might otherwise grow up without a healthy start and the positive influences that lead to success in school and beyond.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy supports 65 different early childhood, after school and mentoring programs, child abuse prevention and intervention, and foster care programs throughout Portland.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has kept its commitment to voters by funding only programs which are cost effective and have a proven record of success.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has kept its commitment to voters by limiting its administrative costs to less than 5%.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has leveraged its public funds with private funds, generating over \$6 million during the last two levies in additional private investments for children in the City of Portland.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has supported early childhood programs which have prepared children to enter kindergarten ready to succeed.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has supported after school and mentoring programs which have helped student stay engaged in school and safe after school.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has supported child abuse prevention and intervention programs to ensure the families who are most at-risk receive the support and intervention services they need.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has invested in programs which have helped foster children succeed.

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has invested in programs which have supported child hunger prevention efforts; the City Council believes the Levy should create a specific program category to target funding for programs to prevent childhood hunger.

WHEREAS, the residents of City of Portland should be allowed to vote to continue the Portland Children's Levy, renewing the local option tax at \$0.4026 per thousand dollars of assessed value, which will raise approximately \$52.8 million for the five-year period of the levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Council submits an Act, attached hereto as Exhibit A, entitled: "A Measure to renew the Portland Children's Levy by directing a five year local option ad valorem tax levy within the City of Portland at a rate of \$0.4026 per thousand dollars of assessed value, outside certain constitutional limitations, commencing in fiscal year 2014-15." be, and the same hereby is, submitted to the legal voters of the City of Portland, Oregon, for their adoption or rejection at the general election in the City of Portland, Multnomah County, Clackamas County and Washington County to be held on May 21, 2013. Each voter who votes upon said proposed measure shall vote "yes" or "no" in the space indicated for such vote on the City ballot at said election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council submits the ballot title for the May 21, 2013 election ballot, as shown in the attached Exhibit B.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council directs the City Auditor to publish the ballot title as shown in Exhibit B in accordance with City Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the funds collected from the Children's Levy shall be used for the purpose of continuing the Portland Children's Levy which will continue to make targeted investments in proven, cost effective early childhood programs, programs for children in foster care, child abuse prevention and intervention and after school, summer and mentoring programs for children, and to prevent child hunger. The levy will extend for a period of five years and the estimated amount to be collected and spent for those programs over the five-year period of the levy is \$52,800,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sponsoring elected official may submit an explanatory statement to the City Auditor for the publication in the voters' pamphlet.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Auditor is directed to forward to the County Elections Office all material necessary to place this measure on the May 21, 2013 election ballot.

Adopted by the Council: DEC 05 2012

Commissioner Dan Saltzman
Prepared by: S. Callahan
Date Prepared: November 21, 2012

LaVonne Griffin-Valade

Auditor of the City of Portland

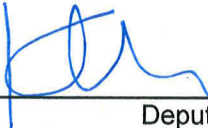
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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Saltzman	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>NOV 30 2012</u>
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams Position 1/Utilities - Fritz Position 2/Works - Fish Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman Position 4/Safety - Leonard	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland By:  Deputy
BUREAU APPROVAL Bureau: Bureau Head: Prepared by: S. Callahan Date Prepared: November 28, 2012 Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Meeting Date December 5th, 2012 City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan	ACTION TAKEN:

AGENDA TIME CERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Start time: 9:30 AM Total amount of time needed: 45 (for presentation, testimony and discussion) CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Leonard	4. Leonard	✓	
Adams	Adams	✓	