



## RESOLUTION R – 2010 – 003

WHEREAS, Chapter 142, Washington Laws of 2008 (RCW 41.48.030) established procedures in which members of retirement system(s) in political subdivisions of the State of Washington may obtain Hospital Insurance – Medicare-only coverage (“Medicare”), and

WHEREAS, Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety (King County Fire Protection District #43) desires to offer Medicare coverage to its eligible employees,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety (King County Fire Protection District #43) does hereby adopt the following resolution:

SECTION 1: It is hereby declared to be the policy and purpose of the Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety (King County Fire Protection District #43) to extend the provisions of RCW 41.48.030, providing Medicare coverage to eligible employees of Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety (King County Fire Protection District #43).

SECTION 2: In pursuance of this policy, Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety (King County Fire Protection District #43) requests the State Social Security Administrator, Employment Security Department/Department of Retirement Systems, to conduct a divided vote referendum, under Section 218(d)(6) of the Social Security Act, for employees hired before April 1, 1986, who are members of the LEOFF II Retirement Systems. The divided vote referendum will be conducted pursuant to applicable State and Federal laws and regulations for the purpose of allowing eligible employees the option of paying the Medicare-only tax.

SECTION 3: The Fire Chief is authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the State of Washington to secure Medicare coverage of eligible employees as provided in Section 1.

SECTION 4: The coverage of eligible employees shall be effective as of December 2009 for the employees who voted “Yes” in the divided vote Medicare referendum.

SECTION 5: Withholdings from salaries or wages of employees for the purposes provided in Section 1 of this Resolution are hereby authorized to be made in the amounts and at such times as may be required by applicable State and Federal laws and regulations, and shall be paid to the Internal Revenue Service, in such amounts and at such times as are designated in IRS Code 3121(b)(7)(E) and 3126.

SECTION 6: employer contributions shall be paid from amounts appropriated for such purposes to the Internal Revenue service in accordance with applicable Federal laws.

SECTION 7: The Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety (King County Fire Protection District #43) shall maintain such records and submit such reports as may be required by applicable State and Federal laws or regulations.

SECTION 8: This resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.

**PASSED** at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Maple Valley Fire and Life Safety (King County Fire Protection District 43) held on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2010.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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Mike Scott, Chairman

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Faye Barker, District Secretary

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Brian McGee, Commissioner

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Jennifer Rydberg, Commissioner

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William VanRuff, Commissioner

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Camille Walls, Commissioner