



RESOLUTION NO. R-2013-005

**A RESOLUTION of the Board of Fire Commissioners of
Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety, King County, Washington,
(King County Fire Protection District No. 43)**

Providing for the submission to the qualified Electors of the District at a Special Election to be held within the District on April 23, 2013, a Proposition authorizing the Levy of a General Tax on the taxable property within the District in excess of Constitutional and Statutory limitations in the sum of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00) which is approximately .38 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation (based on an assessment ratio of 100% of true and fair market value), to be collected first in 2014, and for two consecutive years thereafter, to provide funds required by the District to make certain capital equipment expenditures, maintain operational capabilities, to avoid a reduction in the number of firefighter employees, and for maintenance and operational expenditures essential for basic fire and life protection needs.

WHEREAS: It is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of the district that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health, life and property of the residents of the district that the fire and emergency medical services enumerated in this resolution be provided by the district. Such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for maintenance, operations and equipment in excess of those which can be provided by the district's regular tax levy for collection in 2014, and for two consecutive years thereafter, such excess being not less than Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,500,000.00).

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MAPLE VALLEY FIRE & LIFE SAFETY (aka King County Fire Protection District No. 43), WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The district does not obtain sufficient revenue from its regular property tax levy to provide fire and emergency medical services at the level that it currently provides. The purpose of this special levy would be to provide sufficient funds to maintain the level of services during 2014, and for two consecutive years thereafter. The funds obtained through the excess levy will be used to pay regular maintenance and operation costs and to maintain the current level of emergency services.

SECTION 2. In order to produce the revenue adequate to pay the costs of the providing of adequate fire protection and emergency medical services as described in Section 1 of this resolution and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services, the district shall levy in 2013, to be collected in 2014, a general tax on taxable property within the district, in excess of the regular levy, for maintenance and operation costs in the amount of \$1,500,000.00. This same amount will be levied for two consecutive years thereafter.

SECTION 3. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the district for their ratification or rejection, at a special election on April 23, 2013, the question of whether or

not such levy for maintenance and operations, in excess of the constitutional and statutory limits, shall be made. The Board of Commissioners hereby requests that the King County Supervisor of Elections call such special election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION 1

MAPLE VALLEY FIRE & LIFE SAFETY
(King County Fire Protection District No. 43)
Levy of General Tax

\$1,500,000.00 for Maintenance and Operations

Shall the district levy a tax upon its taxable property, in excess of state limitations upon regular levies, of approximately .38 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation, to provide \$1,500,000.00 to be levied in 2013, collected in 2014 and for two consecutive years thereafter, and used for maintenance and operations to maintain the current level of fire services and emergency medical services as provided in Resolution No. R-2013-005.

Tax Levy: Yes _____

Tax Levy: No _____

Adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Maple Valley Fire & Life Safety (King County Fire Protection District No. 43), Washington, at a regular open public meeting of such Board on the 21st day of February 2013, the following Commissioners being present and voting:

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Mike Scott, Chairperson

Brad Doerflinger, Fire Chief

Gabe DeBay, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Brian McGee, Commissioner

Joseph F. Quinn WSBA No. 6810
District Attorney

Camille Walls, Commissioner

William VanRuff, Commissioner