## BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

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## VETERANS HOSPITAL

> Possible Metro Law Suit Alleging Inadequate Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

## RESOLUTION NO. 80-133

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Introduced by Gene Peterson, Craig Berkman, Mike Burton, Jane Rhodes, Betty Schedeen, Donna Stuhr, Jack Deines, Cindy Banzer, Ernie Bonner

WHEREAS, The Metro Council has to date provided no specific opportunity for public comment as a part of its consideration of the EIS for the Veterans Hospital.

WHEREAS, On August 9, 1979, Metro's response to the Draft EIS was on the unanimous consent calendar; Chairman Burton removed it from the consent calendar in order to hear County Executive Don Clark, Multnomah County, and representatives of what is now identified as the Coalition for Better Veterans Health Care. On December 6, 1979, the matter was brought up under "Citizen Communication" by a representative of the Coalition for Better Veterans Health Care. At that time the Metro Council declined to provide any funds for a law suit or a sampling of opinion among Oregon veterans. On February 14, 1980, the matter was brought up during an informal Council session; and

WHEREAS, A law suit challenging the adequacy of the EIS for the Veterans Hospital could cause a delay of a year or more in the construction of this authorized and funded \$170 million project, or stop it all together; and

WHEREAS, A substantial regionwide interest in the project

has been demonstrated; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Metro Council on February 28, agrees that if the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners decides to provide funds to Metro to initiate legal action challenging the adequacy of the EIS for the Veterans Hospital, the Metro Council will schedule a widely advertised session or sessions to hear the pros and cons for the proposed action before deciding whether to proceed further.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District this 28th day of February, 1980.

NOT ADOPTED

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VETERANS HOSPITAL Declaration of no intent to file legal action challenging EIS

RESOLUTION NO.

Introduced by Corky Kirkpatrick

WHEREAS, The Metro Council has been approached informally to take a lead role in a law suit regarding the Environmental Impact Study (EIS) process for the Veterans Hospital; and

WHEREAS, That action was intended to carry out a mandated A-95 review function of the agency and not a review of the location of the hospital; and

WHEREAS, It is clear that our mandated function cannot be separated from the larger issue and an accusation of further delay in hospital funds; and

WHEREAS, We currently have no funding or responsibility for health care; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Metro Council, on February 28, declares their intent not to accept funds from Multnomah County to initiate legal action challenging the adequacy of the EIS for the Veterans Hospital.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District this 28th day of February, 1980.

Presiding Officer

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