

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING ) RESOLUTION NO 97-2468  
ADDITIONAL PRIORITIES TO )  
METRO'S 1997 LEGISLATIVE ) Introduced by the Government Affairs  
PACKAGE ) Committee

WHEREAS, the 1997 Oregon Legislature convened on Monday, January 13, 1997; and

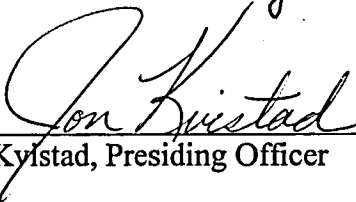
WHEREAS, the Metro Council has adopted Metro Legislative Priorities via Resolution  
No. 97-2451A; and

WHEREAS, the Government Affairs Committee has continued deliberations to refine the  
legislative priorities; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Metro Council adopts the language in Exhibit A to this Resolution and adds it to  
its Legislative Priorities package.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 1997.

  
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Jon Kystad, Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

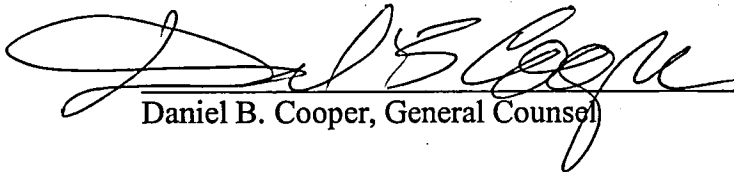
  
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Daniel B. Cooper, General Counsel

Exhibit A to Resolution No. 97-2468  
February 20, 1997

The following language is added to the Metro legislative priorities package:

**B. Growth Management**

The Charter adopted by the region's voters in 1992 directs that regional planning and growth management are Metro's primary functions - in order to maintain and enhance the livability and economic vitality of the area. Rapid growth is occurring in the region. Metro's job is to ensure that this growth occurs in a manner which minimizes negative impacts on the region's current or new citizens and promotes important values. Metro has been working with its regional partners and citizens in the region over the past several years to accomplish these tasks, through the Region 2040 process, the development and adoption of urban reserves and the creation of a framework plan.

**F. Metro Washington Park Zoo**

Already the largest paid tourist attraction in Oregon, the region's voters approved in September, 1996, a \$28.8 million capital bond measure for development of an Oregon Exhibit at the Zoo. The new exhibit will feature examples of wildlife from across Oregon, providing visitors with the complete Oregon experience.

Metro will request a \$500,000 allocation, likely from lottery revenues dedicated to economic development and tourism, for the state's share of the Oregon Exhibit. The funds are to be used to tie the features of the Exhibit to specific locations in Oregon, and to promote tourism in those locations across the state.

**I. Water.**

Metro will closely monitor legislative action affecting water, rivers and streams. It is important that the metropolitan area plan for and provide adequate domestic water supplies and conservation measures, at the same time that streamflows and aquatic life are protected.