## BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

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FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE METRO ATTORNEY TO DEFEND, APPEAL, OR COMMENCE LITIGATION RESOLUTION NO. 14-4519

Introduced by Councilor Sam Chase

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Metro Charter, Section 25(2), the Metro Council has created by ordinance the Office of Metro Attorney, as codified in the Metro Code Chapter 2.08; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Code provides in Section 2.08.030 and Section 2.08.040 that the Metro Attorney is charged with general control and supervision of all civil actions and legal proceedings, and to appear, commence, prosecute, defend or appeal any action, suit, matter, cause or proceeding as requested in the district's interest and in the discretion of the Metro Attorney; and

WHEREAS, there is currently pending or potential litigation regarding Metro and its facilities, including but not limited to litigation related to the Oregon Convention Center hotel project that affects the interests of the citizens of the metropolitan region, Metro and its facilities, and it is in the district's interest to appear, commence, prosecute, defend or appeal any action, suit, matter, cause or proceeding; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby requests and authorizes the Metro Attorney to appear, commence, prosecute, defend or appeal any action, suit, matter, cause or proceeding in any court or tribunal, whether in the name of Metro or the Metro Council, when, in the discretion of the Metro Attorney, the same may be necessary or advisable to protect Metro's rights and interests, including but not limited to the rights and interests of the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission and/or the Metro facilities such as the Oregon Convention Center, the Expo Center, the Portland'5, and the Oregon Zoo.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

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Sam Chase, Deputy Council President

Approved as to Form:

Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney