## BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

SUPPORTING THE MERGER OF TRI-MET ) WITH THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE ) DISTRICT AND ESTABLISHING A PROCESS ) TO PURSUE THE MERGER )

RESOLUTION NO. 90-1293A

Introduced by Rena Cusma, Executive Officer and the Intergovernmental Relations Committee

WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Service District under Oregon Revised Statutes Chapter 268.370 is granted the authority to merge with the transit system of the mass transit district, which for the Portland Metropolitan region is the Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon (Tri-Met); and

WHEREAS, The District believes the merger of Tri-Met would benefit the citizens of the mass transit district by providing directly elected representation through the Council of the Metropolitan Service District and the Executive Officer, potential economies of scale and cost savings from consolidation, and greater public accountability; and

WHEREAS, In order to pursue a merger of Tri-Met with the District, a process must be established to develop comprehensive information on potential costs and benefits of a merger, to actively involve representatives of all interested parties, and to prepare specific actions to remove impediments to a merger; and,

WHEREAS, The Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) has been established to provide recommendations to the District on transportation policy matters; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

1. That the Council of the Metropolitan Service District supports the concept of a merger of the Tri-County Transportation District of Oregon with the Metropolitan Service District and establishes a subcommittee of the Council Intergovernmental Relations Committee with membership and charge as outlined in Exhibit A hereto to pursue the merger.

2. That the Council of the Metropolitan Service District requests that JPACT, as a forum of local elected officials and transportation operating agencies, conduct a study of the transportation planning and transit service implications of a merger and report to the Council Intergovernmental Relations Committee no later than October 31, 1990.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District this 12th day of July, 1990.

Tanya Collier, Presiding Officer

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## EXHIBIT A

## TRI-MET MERGER SUBCOMMITTEE

- 1. CHARGE -- The Tri-Met Merger Subcommittee shall act as an advisory body to the Council Intergovernmental Relations Committee and the full Council to compile and clarify information on legal and financial questions regarding the merger of Tri-Met with Metro; to develop strategies for a merger; to study the potential costs and benefits of a merger; to coordinate with JPACT on the study provided in item 2; and if a merger appears justified, to identify the best model to pursue with a specific plan for implementation.
- 2. MEMBERSHIP --Metro Council, 3 representatives (1 as Chair) Metro Executive Officer, 1 representative Tri-Met Board of Directors, 1 representative

## Total 5 members

3. TIMELINE -- The Intergovernmental Relations Committee is to report to the Council no later than December 31, 1990 on the Subcommittee recommendations and merger plan.

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