METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 182

Whereas the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission has had a presentation about Arts Plan 2000+ and participated in the funding for the Arts Plan 2000+ project.

THE METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION FINDS:

1. That the citizens of Portland recognize the value and role of the arts in contributing to a livable community by educating our children, teaching respect and understanding of diverse cultures, providing alternative activities for youth and family, enhancing community image and stimulating economic development;

2. That the City of Portland has a history of distinguishing itself by planning for the future and implementing its visions;

3. That in 1987 the Mayor and the Office of Finance and Administration requested that the Commission-in-Charge develop a cultural policy to guide City Council deliberations about the scale and purpose of public arts funding;

4. That in September of 1990, Commissioner Mike Lindberg and the Metropolitan Arts Commission initiated a four countywide planning effort, Arts Plan 2000 Plus;

5. That Arts Plan 2000+ and Portland Future Focus were integrated through overlap in participation , purpose, goals and workplans;

6. That community leaders and citizens from throughout the Portland metropolitan region gave thousands of hours of their time to participate in task forces and focus groups over the last 18 months;

7. That Arts Plan 2000+ hired the nationally recognized cultural consultant firm, the Wolf Organization, to objectively analyze the infrastructure of the regions' arts community, conduct a public opinion survey and research comparable cities' programs;

8. That the Wolf Organization's 300 page <u>Report to the</u> <u>Community</u> was delivered in July of 1991, and Mr. Tom Wolf presented his findings and recommendations to the Portland City Council September of 1991; RESOLUTION NO. 182 Page 2

9. That the Arts Plan 2000+, with further public comment and review of the Wolf Report, produced <u>Art Plan: Animating Our</u> <u>Community, An Action Plan for the Portland, Oregon, Metropolitan</u> <u>Region, February 1992</u> establishing an action plan to accomplish the regional goals and priorities;

10. That implementation of the Arts Plan will require cooperation among citizens, the arts community, business and governments.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission, that the leadership and members of the Steering Committee of Arts Plan 2000+, as well as the thousands of citizens who participated, are congratulated and thanked for their selfless efforts on behalf of Portland's future; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission embraces the vision and endorses this action plan for the region's cultural future; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission pledges its support to work with regional governments to identify and approve a dedicated funding source for regional cultural facilities and programs.

Passed by the Commission on May 13, 1992.

Secretary/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Metro General Counsel