City of Ellensburg 501 N. Anderson St. Ellensburg, WA 98926

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF WASHINGTON)

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County of Kittitas)

I, the undersigned, Coreen M. Reno, the duly appointed, qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of Ellensburg, County of Kittitas, State of Washington, do hereby certify that the ORDINANCE hereto annexed is a full, true and correct copy of ORDINANCE NO. 4451 of the City of Ellensburg, Washington, entitled as follows:

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington, declaring an intent to annex the City of Ellensburg to Kittitas County Fire District #2, and requesting Kittitas County to call a special election on the annexation.

I further certify that said ORDINANCE was passed by the Council of said City at a meeting held July 17, 2006, at which time a quorum was in attendance and that said ORDINANCE was duly published in the official newspaper of said City on the 20th day of July, 2006.

DATED this 20th day of July, 2006.

Coreen Reno, CMC, City Clerk

Ellensburg, Washington

ORDINANCE NO. 4451

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON, DECLARING AN INTENT TO ANNEX THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG TO KITTITAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #2, AND REQUESTING KITTITAS COUNTY TO CALL A SPECIAL ELECTION ON THE ANNEXATION.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ellensburg and the Board of Fire Commissioners of Kittitas County Fire District #2 directed the fire administration in 2005 to create a citizens advisory committee to explore ways to enhance efficiency and effectiveness in fire and emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, after months of study and deliberation, the citizens advisory committee concluded that the City and the District should merge operations through annexation of the City to the District; and

WHEREAS, the City and the District have since the start of 2006 operated under an administrative consolidation, which has proven effective and efficient; and

WHEREAS, the growth within the City and the District is creating greater demand for fire and emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the community to have a single fire and emergency medical services agency to serve the community; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to place before the voters of the City and the District the question of whether to annex the City to the District; NOW, THEREFORE

The City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Finding of Fact and Declaration of Intent. The City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington, finds that the public interest will be served by the annexation of the City to Kittitas County Fire District #2. Therefore, the City Council declares its intent to join the District pursuant to RCW 52.04.061 and 52.04.071. The City Council requests the Board of Fire Commissioners of the District to concur in the annexation.

Section 2. Boundary Review Board Consideration and Filing of Ordinance. The City Fire Chief is authorized and directed to cause a notice of intention for the annexation of the City of Ellensburg to Kittitas County Fire District #2 to be filed with the Kittitas County Boundary Review Board, and to cause a certified copy of this Ordinance to be filed with the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners and the Kittitas County Auditor.

Section 3. Calling of Election. The City Council requests that the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners declare an emergency and call by resolution a special election in both the City of Ellensburg and the Kittitas County Fire District #2, in conjunction with the State Primary

Election to be held on September 19, 2006, on the question of whether the City of Ellensburg should be annexed to Kittitas County Fire District #2. The ballot proposition shall be as follows:

Shall the City of Ellensburg be annexed to and be a part of Kittitas County Fire District #2 effective January 1, 2007?

Pursuant to RCW 29A.04.330 and applicable election laws, the City Council requests that the Kittitas County Auditor also declare such an emergency and call such a special election.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five days after its passage, approval and publication.

The foregoing ordinance was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on July 17, 2006.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

Publish: July 20, 2006

I, Coreen M. Reno, City Clerk of said City, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 4451 is a true and correct copy of said Ordinance of like number of said City as the same was passed by said Council, that Ordinance No. 4451 was published as required by law.

COREEN M. RENO, CMC