

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR FULL STATE FUNDING OF THE MUNICIPAL RESEARCH AND SERVICES CENTER WITH NO CONDITIONS.

WHEREAS, for over 80 years, the Municipal Research and Services Center ("MRSC") has provided comprehensive and objective guidance on complex legal and policy issues to local governments in Washington, including the City of Olympia; and

WHEREAS, MRSC has been a trusted and dedicated provider to the City of Olympia of guidance, analysis, answers and assistance on a wide variety of issues such as public records, purchasing and contracting, governmental operations, statutory information and updates, and financial management and reporting through public works rosters and publications; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia relies on MRSC for substantive advice, research, opinions and information through direct contact with MRSC staff and through MRSC's website; and

WHEREAS, MRSC efficiently provides information and resources to all cities and counties, and thus saves public funds statewide; and

WHEREAS, the current senate budget proposes conditions for state funding of MRSC as it "investigates" whether contracts for such services should continue or be modified or terminated, which would deprive the City of Olympia and many other cities and counties of important, useful, and valuable services;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City of Olympia supports full funding of MRSC from the state budget with no conditions now and in the future.
2. The City Council authorizes City staff to take action in accordance with this Resolution to support full funding of MRSC with no conditions from the state budget.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this _____ day of _____ 2016.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



CITY ATTORNEY