

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-001

A Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District (PUD) No. 1 of Jefferson County, Washington, recognizing the outstanding service and contributions of Commissioner Barney Burke over a seven plus year period that saw a tremendous expansion of PUD responsibilities, challenges and achievements.

WHEREAS, Barney Burke, initially volunteered and later was elected by the citizens of Jefferson County to serve as their PUD District #1 Commissioner and;

WHEREAS, Largely due to Commissioner Burke's personal efforts, the PUD developed a strategic plan that would support local community values, ensure PUD financial stability, stress communications with the public and, provide guidance for long term PUD planning, and;

WHEREAS, Commissioner Burke's leadership was instrumental to the success of the PUD's negotiations, acquisition, and operations of the PSE electrical facilities in Eastern Jefferson County, this included obtaining BPA power, USDA RUS financing, and the equipping and manning of the entirely new electrical utility, and;

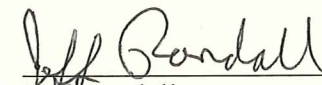
WHEREAS, Despite its new electrical utility role, Commissioner Burke continued to be an ardent supporter of the PUD's other County-wide utility roles which included the acquisitions of both the Coyle and Kala Point Water Systems, the expansion of PUD SMA activities, and acquisition and expansion of wholesale Telecom Communications in Jefferson County;

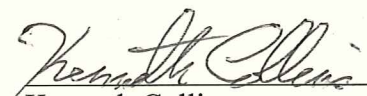
WHEREAS, Commissioner Burke was a strong advocate for open governance of the PUD, including posting audio recordings of PUD meetings on the PUD's website, an active Citizen Advisory Board, aggressive public outreach programs, stressing and supporting water and electrical conservation measures, expanded support for low income customers, and steadfast support of alternative power sources; and


WHEREAS, During his term the PUD lowered its property tax collection revenues, maintained steady water and sewer rates and kept the same electrical rates for his entire tenure as a PUD Commissioner, and;

WHEREAS, Commissioner Burke was very active in the PUD's role with Energy Northwest, representing JPUD at their monthly meetings and serving on their Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Jefferson County, that Commissioner Barney Burke be officially recognized for his leadership and dedication, which helped guide the PUD through its historic acquisition of PSE's electrical facilities in Jefferson County and in making the PUD the primary utility provider in Jefferson County, and for preparing the PUD for future goals and challenges.


Jeff Randall
Commissioner


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