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A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, endorsing the proposal to name the SR-509 bridge over Thea Foss Waterway AThe Admiral James S. Russell Bridge@

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WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Transportation recently completed the construction of the bridge over Thea Foss Waterway on State Route (SR) 509; and,

WHEREAS, the bridge serves significant transportation needs in the Tacoma-Pierce County area, and the bridge is an impressive architectural structure, adding unique character to the Tacoma skyline; and,

WHEREAS, because of the transportational and architectural significance of this bridge, it deserves a name reflective of its important place in the region=s infra-structural value and structural beauty; and, WHEREAS, a proposal has been made to name the bridge AThe Admiral James S. Russell Bridge;@ and,

WHEREAS, Admiral James S. Russell, who was born in Tacoma, and who attended school in Tacoma, and who lived his entire life, other than when on military service in the United States Navy, in Tacoma and Pierce County and Lakewood, served our country with pride, patriotism and exemplary military service, and worked tirelessly to promote the issues of importance to the people of those communities; and,

WHEREAS, Admiral James S. Russell contributed greatly to the Chambers of Commerce of Tacoma and Lakewood, visibly demonstrating his support for those organizations and the members of the organizations; and,

WHEREAS, the name for this magnificent bridge should be selected so as to honor an exemplary citizen of our greater community, and naming the bridge AThe Admiral James S. Russell Bridge@would accomplish that.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. That the proposal to name the SR-509 bridge over Thea Foss Waterway AThe Admiral James S. Russell Bridge@is endorsed and supported, and that the Washington State Legislature is requested to so name the bridge.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon passage and signatures hereon.

PASSED by the City Council this 17th day of November, 1997

CITY OF LAKEWOOD

Bill Harrison, Mayor	
Attest:	
Alice M. Bush, CMC, City Clerk	
Approved as to Form:	
Daniel B. Heid, City Attorney	