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A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, authorizing the expenditure of City funds to abate public nuisances and authorizing the City Manager or designee to take steps necessary to recover the expenditure of City funds

WHEREAS, in connection with the incorporation of the City of Lakewood, in Pierce County, Washington, the City Council adopted a number of health and safety codes and regulations, including regulations providing for fire, building, housing, litter and other codes and regulations to address adverse and negative impacts on citizens and property in the City; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council, further, took steps to implement enforcement activities for these codes and regulations, with the goal of preserving the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Lakewood; and,

WHEREAS, generally, code enforcement actions, including communication with effective property owners, dissemination of information about the health and safety codes of the City, and, progressively, warning letters, notices to abate and notices of infractions filed with the municipal court have been successful in promoting positive responses by those responsible for the areas of code enforcement concern; and,

WHEREAS, notwithstanding those efforts, there are occasional situations where the persons responsible for public nuisances do not take the opportunities to address abatement measures, so that in order to assure appropriate abatement of public nuisances, and to protect their property in the City of Lakewood, it is necessary for the City to expend public funds for such public nuisance abatement; and

WHEREAS, the City is currently facing several situations where other, lesser invasive efforts have not been successful in accomplishing the goal of abating public nuisances at: (1) 6620 Brook Court SW, Lakewood, Washington; (2) 15224 Union Avenue SW, Lakewood, Washington; (3) 15311 Grant Avenue SW, Lakewood, Washington; and (4) 4905 123rd Street SW, Lakewood, Washington, so that it is appropriate for the City Council to authorize the City Manager to expend funds to abate nuisances located thereon, and to, further, take steps to preserve the City's right to recover the public funds so expended; and,

WHEREAS, abatement measures taken so far by City staff relative to the above-referenced properties are set forth on the attached Exhibit "A" incorporated herein by this reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, WASHINGTON HEREBY RESOLVES, as Follows:

Section 1. That public nuisances exist at: (1) 6620 Brook Court SW, Lakewood, Washington; (2) 15224 Union Avenue SW, Lakewood, Washington; (3) 15311 Grant Avenue SW, Lakewood, Washington; and (4) 4905 123rd Street SW, Lakewood, Washington, which warrant steps being taken by the City to abate the nuisances. The City Manager or designee is hereby further authorized to expend public funds as are necessary to abate the public nuisances thereon and to take such other and further steps, including legal process and liens on the property, to secure the City's rights to recover the public funds so expended, and to take such other and further action as is necessary in furtherance thereof.

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

PASSED by the City Council this 15th day of May, 2000.

CITY OF LAKEWOOD

Bill Harrison, Mayor

Attest:

Alice M. Bush, CMC, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Daniel B. Heid, City Attorney

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