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A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Washington, supporting the efforts of "The Road Home: Ending Chronic Homelessness, a Ten Year Plan for Pierce County".

WHEREAS, Homelessness has a devastating impact on the lives of some Lakewood citizens who experience it as well as on the communities in which they live; and

WHEREAS, the chronic homeless are those who have been homeless repeatedly or for an extended period of time and who are disabled by addiction, mental or physical illness, or developmental disability, and

WHEREAS, the costs of not addressing the needs of the chronically homeless already strain our limited resources, and WHEREAS, solving homelessness is critical to the overall economic development and health of Lakewood and Pierce County, and

WHEREAS, Pierce County's *The Road Home: Ending Chronic Homelessness—A Ten Year Plan for Pierce County* outlines a response to chronic homelessness that begins with prevention and ends in safe, decent, truly affordable, permanent and supportive housing, and

WHEREAS, the result of implementing this plan will be an increase in Pierce County's productive citizenry, better use of limited resources, safer neighborhoods, and a more effective housing and service system for all residents;

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

Section 1. That the City Council hereby supports the efforts of the Pierce County *The Road Home: Ending Chronic Homelessness—A Ten year Plan for Pierce* County, and the strategies contained therein, for the purposes hereinabove enumerated.

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

Heidi Ann Wachter, City Attorney