

RESOLUTION 31078

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2 A RESOLUTION recognizing and supporting the Muscular Dystrophy Association Annual Fill the
3 Boot event.

4 WHEREAS more than one million Americans are affected by neuromuscular diseases, including
5 muscular dystrophy and Lou Gehrig's disease; and

6 WHEREAS the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) is a non-profit health agency dedicated to
7 combating over forty neuromuscular diseases through research, treatment services and
8 public health education; and

9 WHEREAS the MDA provides medical exams, treatment, support groups, summer camps for
10 children, wheelchairs, leg braces and communication devices to clients without charge; and

11 WHEREAS the MDA provides services in Seattle; and

12 WHEREAS, in 2008 the MDA provided funding for approximately 65 children in the Puget Sound
13 area to attend MDA summer camp; and

14 WHEREAS the MDA funds scientific research throughout the world, including the University of
15 Washington and Fred Hutchinson; and

16 WHEREAS, the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) has teamed with the MDA since
17 1954 and every IAFF chapter participates in their efforts to raise public awareness about
18 neuromuscular diseases and the research and treatment services the MDA provides; and

19 WHEREAS, the IAFF nationwide organizes, with volunteer and staff support from the MDA, an
20 annual fundraiser known as "Fill the Boot"; and

21 WHEREAS, in 2007 Fire Fighters nationwide, including Fire Fighters in 1,683 cities across the
22 State of Washington and the country participated in the Fill the Boot fundraiser, while on-
23 duty and off-duty, raising over \$25.2 million to fight neuromuscular diseases and to improve
24 the lives of those afflicted by them; and

25 WHEREAS, all of the money raised in Seattle by Seattle Fire Fighters volunteering their time to the
26 Fill the Boot fundraiser will support local clinics at the University of Washington Medical
27 Centers and Children's Hospital, and provide automated wheelchairs, family support groups
28 and MDA summer camp for children; and NOW THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE
MAYOR CONCURRING:**

1 Section 1. The City of Seattle recognizes that the MDA and IAFF annual fundraiser
2 known as Fill the Boot is consistent with the mission and purpose of the City of Seattle and the
3 Seattle Fire Department; and

4 Section 2. The City of Seattle recognizes the Seattle Fire Fighters and the MDA's
5 annual fundraiser Fill the Boot as a service that benefits and improves the City of Seattle and the
6 quality of life for Seattle citizens.

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8 Adopted by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2008, and signed by me
9 in open session in authentication of its adoption this ____ day of _____, 2008.

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12 President _____ of the City Council

13 THE MAYOR CONCURRING:

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17 Mayor

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20 Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2008.

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23 City Clerk

24 (Seal)

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Legislation Title:

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• **Summary of the Legislation:**

This Resolution recognizes the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) annual fundraiser, voluntarily supported by the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) is consistent with the mission and purpose of the City of Seattle and the Seattle Fire Department.

• **Background:**

The Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) is a non-profit health agency dedicated to combating over forty neuromuscular diseases through research, treatment services and public health education. The MDA's annual fundraiser Fill the Boot helps provide medical exams, treatment, support groups, summer camps for children, wheelchairs, leg braces and communication devices to clients without charge.

Since 1954 the IAFF has teamed with the MDA to raise public awareness about neuromuscular diseases and the research and treatment services the MDA provides. All of the money raised in Seattle by Seattle Fire Fighters volunteering their time to the MDA's annual Fill the Boot fundraiser will support local clinics at the University of Washington Medical Centers and Children's Hospital, and provide automated wheelchairs, family support groups and MDA summer camp for children.

X **This legislation does not have any financial implications.** *(Stop here and delete the remainder of this document prior to saving and printing.)*