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LEG RES Transmitting the Rejected Initiative 107 to Place it on Ballot
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CITY OF SEATTLE
RESOLUTION 31530

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3 A RESOLUTION regarding Initiative 107 concerning early learning and child care (rejected by
4 the City Council on June 1623, 2014) and authorizing the City Clerk and the Executive
5 Director of the Ethics and Elections Commission to take those actions necessary to
6 enable proposed Initiative 107 to appear on the November 4, 2014 ballot and in the local
7 voters' pamphlet in conjunction with the Seattle Preschool Program (City Council Bill
8 118114), which is a proposed alternative measure on the same subject matter in
9 accordance with Charter Article IV; and requesting the King County Elections' Director
10 to place the proposed Initiative 107 on the November 4, 2014 election ballot in
11 accordance with applicable law.

12 WHEREAS, the City of Seattle has over the course of the past year researched best practices on
13 providing high-quality early learning opportunities and conducted outreach to and
14 solicited input from the community and stakeholders related to high-quality early
15 learning opportunities; and

16 WHEREAS, as a result of this extensive process, the City of Seattle has developed a
17 comprehensive, integrated approach for the City to expand the delivery of voluntary,
18 affordable, high-quality preschool to Seattle's children with Council Bill 118114; and

19 WHEREAS, an important component of the City of Seattle's high-quality preschool plan
20 outlined in Council Bill 118114 grants the City discretion in implementing an evidence-
21 based approach to preschool teacher certification, training and professional development,
22 and calls for the use of teacher coaches and coordination with the Washington State
23 Department of Early Learning; and

24 WHEREAS, Council Bill 118114 requires the City to facilitate communications with early
25 learning stakeholders, including preschool teachers and staff; and

26 WHEREAS, Initiative 107 requires the City of Seattle to, among other things, hire a private
27 organization to jointly control delivery of preschool teacher certification, training and
professional development; and

WHEREAS, Initiative 107 requires the City of Seattle to, among other things, hire a private
organization to jointly control a new board that assists in setting enhanced training
requirements for preschool teachers and makes policy and investment priority
recommendations related to preschool teachers; and

1 WHEREAS, Initiative 107 mandates the City of Seattle hire a private organization to facilitate
communications between the City and preschool teachers and staff; and

2 WHEREAS, after significant public process, the Mayor and City Council adopted Ordinance No.
3 124490 in June 2014 to raise the minimum hourly wage in the City of Seattle to \$15/hr.;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Initiative 107 creates a unique carve-out for child care teachers and staff, that
6 provides a \$15/hr. minimum wage on an accelerated phase-in schedule and with different
remedies than provided for in Ordinance No. 124490; and

7 WHEREAS, the City Council finds that Initiative 107 and Council Bill 118114 conflict in certain
8 particulars regarding the City's provision of high-quality preschool; and

9 ~~WHEREAS, the City Council finds that Initiative 107 provides a different minimum wage
10 requirement for child care teachers and staff than contained in Ordinance No. 124490;~~

11 WHEREAS, the City Council finds that Initiative 107 could have significant financial impacts.

12 WHEREAS, Initiative 107 has been submitted to the City Council, rejected by the City Council
13 on June 16, 2014, and will be subsequently placed on the ballot for the people to vote
on pursuant to applicable law.

14 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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19 Section 1. In accordance with City Charter Article IV, the Council has reviewed
20 Initiative 107; and rejected it by motion approved by the Council. which it rejected on June 16,
21 2014, and The Council hereby directs that it Initiative 107 be placed on the November 4, 2014,
22 general election ballot to be voted on by the people, in accordance with applicable law.

23 Section 2. Pursuant to City Charter Article IV, Section 1, in addition to placing Initiative
24 107 on the ballot, the Council adopted Council Bill 118114, an alternative measure dealing with
25 the same subject as Initiative 107. Council Bill 118114 and Initiative 107 conflict in several

1 particulars. The Council is placing Council Bill 118114 on the November 4, 2014, general
2 election ballot to be voted on by the people at the same time as Initiative 107.

3 Section 3. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to take those actions necessary to
4 place Initiative 107 filed in Clerk File 313661, a copy of which is attached as attachment A,
5 before the voters at the November 4, 2014 election in conjunction with Council Bill 118114, and
6 in accordance with applicable law.

7 Section 4. The Executive Director of the Ethics and Elections Commission is authorized
8 and requested to take those actions necessary to place information regarding Initiative 107 in the
9 November 4, 2014 voters' pamphlet in conjunction with Council Bill 118114 and in accordance
10 with applicable law.

11 Section 5. The Director of Elections of King County, Washington, as ex officio
12 supervisor of elections, is requested to call for a special election and place Initiative 107 on the
13 November 4, 2014 ballot in conjunction with Council Bill 118114 and in accordance with
14 applicable law.

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2 Adopted by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2014, and
3 signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this ____ day
4 of _____, 2014.

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7 President _____ of the City Council

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9 THE MAYOR CONCURRING:

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12 Edward B. Murray, Mayor

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14 Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2014.

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17 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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21 Attachment: Attachment A: Initiative 107
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