

Resolution on Urban Development

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3 **WHEREAS** orderly development is necessary for the economic growth of each
4 community and the state as a whole;

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6 **WHEREAS** currently, urban growth zones are designated by counties for areas outside
7 city limits;

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9 **WHEREAS** cities are encouraged to accept these urban zones by annexation; and

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11 **WHEREAS** cities acquire these annexed areas without input into zoning and building
12 regulations that create the urban developed areas;

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14 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the Democratic State Convention, urges
15 additions and amendments to the State Growth Management Act requiring
16 coordination between county designated urban development zones and the potential
17 annexing cities such that this coordination be required as part of any county designated
18 urban development zone; and

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20 **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to
21 Governor Chris Gregoire, Senate Majority Leader Lisa Brown, and Speaker of the
22 House Frank Chopp along with a request for response within thirty days, listing the
23 actions they are willing to take to support this resolution or a list of the reasons
24 explaining why it cannot be supported.
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27 Submitted by the 32nd LD Democrats to the Democratic Central Committee for
28 consideration at its June 26 convention in Vancouver. (Date Submitted 4/21/2010)

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30 Recommended Pass by the Subcommittee on the Corporate Power and Media Reform,
31 Economic Justice and Development, and Labor. (Date Considered 5/2/2010)

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33 Recommended Pass by the State Convention Platform Committee. (Date Considered
34 6/5/2010)

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36 The Washington State Democratic Convention "PASSED" this resolution at its June 26,
37 2010 meeting in Vancouver.