

RESOLUTION NO. 131

WHEREAS, the fiscal problems of the City of Troutdale continue to increase, despite efforts to hold the line on new programs and services, improve productivity and achieve economies and efficiencies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Troutdale has in preparing its budget been forced to seek additional tax base support in the order of \$72,500; and

WHEREAS, local revenue sources are limited by the Oregon Constitution and a combination of other factors, and projections for the two year period 1977-79 indicate for the City of Troutdale a revenue shortfall of \$100,000 in 1977-78 and \$150,000 in 1978-79; and

WHEREAS, Statewide analysis has indicated that factors beyond the control of cities, such as growth, inflation, and state and federal mandates, add significantly to the fiscal burden of cities; and

WHEREAS, cities urgently need access to income tax revenues, the one significant untapped source of revenue for cities, because of its unique ability to respond to growth and inflation in a manner that no other revenue source now available to cities can accomplish; and

WHEREAS, statewide collection of income tax revenues with allocation to cities on a formula basis is a far superior means of giving cities access to this revenue source when compared to development of a crazy-quilt pattern of numerous local income taxes with their resulting tax payer inconvenience, possibilities for overlapping and double taxation and higher administrative costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the council of the City of Troutdale does earnestly petition that the State of Oregon, by legislative and concurring executive action, enter into a program for sharing state income tax revenues with Oregon cities as the most practical means of helping to alleviate the critical fiscal crisis of Oregon cities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Governor of the State, to each of the legislators representing the House and Senate districts which include this city, and to the League of Oregon Cities.

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Troutdale, this 9th day of November, 1976.

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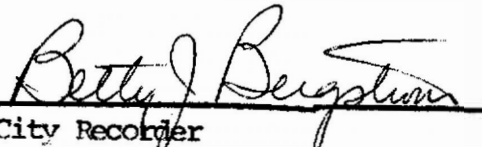
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Signed by the Mayor this 10th day of November, 1973.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Recorder