Resolution No. 224Supporting Continuation of General Revenue Sharing

WHEREAS, General Revenue Sharing has been the most effective entitlement program operated by the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, General Revenue Sharing helps cities and counties meet the unpaid costs for federally-mandated programs, and has the lowest administrative cost of any federal grant programs; and

WHEREAS, General Revenue Sharing funds are used by local governments to provide vital services to their citizens such as police and fire protection, social services and road maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the administration has proposed an across-the-board reduction of 12%, which includes General Revenue Sharing; and

WHEREAS, a complete phase-out of General Revenue Sharing over the next three years has also been proposed; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties are already cutting public services because of reductions in other federal programs; and

WHEREAS Revenue Sharing should be strengthened, because it allows local officials to decide best how to meet citizen needs;

NOW, THEREFORE be it resolved that the Sherwood City Council hereby urges the Oregon Congressional Delegation to support the continuation of Federal Revenue Sharing at current levels; and it is further

RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to our Congressional Delegation.

DATED this 18 day of fourber, 1981.