



Resolution No. 2000-895

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR HR 4222, THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM CENTENNIAL ACT

WHERAS, it is important to Sherwood and surrounding communities to provide public wildlife oriented recreation, education, and resource interpretation for both local cities as well as young adults who are citizens of the communities, and

WHEREAS, since establishment of the Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge in 1992, there has been planning for public use facilities which are critical to opening the refuge for public use, but as of today there has been no funding for their development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sherwood is an immediate neighbor to the Refuge and has historically led the community involvement, support, and pride in the Refuge, and leads the region in wetland and stream corridor preservation; and

WHEREAS volunteer programs supporting the Refuge have a high rate of participation and public open-house days are well attended increasing in number each year as word of mouth of this wonderful resource reaches more and more community members; and

WHEREAS, HR 4222, THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM CENTENNIAL ACT, will provide funding for improvements allowing public access to the Refuge, and

WHEREAS, the adopted Goal of the Sherwood City Council express high priority for supporting funding and development of the Refuge;

NOW THEREFORE

It is hereby resolved by the City Council of the City of Sherwood that the City of Sherwood expresses it strong support for HR 4222, THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM CENTENNIAL ACT and encourages the United States Senate, and in particular Oregon's Senators Smith and Wyden, and President Clinton promptly pass this important legislation.

Duly passed by the City Council this 22nd day of August 2000.

Walt Hitchcock, Mayor

ATTEST:

C.L. Wiley, City Recorder

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