## BIRCH BAY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT BIRCH BAY, WASHINGTON RESOLUTION NO. 427

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BIRCH BAY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT, BIRCH BAY, WASHINGTON, SETTING FORTH THE DISTRICT'S POSITION ON THE WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF SEWER AND WATER DISTRICTS PROVIDING FOR AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGERS OF ITS GENERAL MEMBERS TO VOTE AT ANY AND ALL CONFERENCES OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP OF THE WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF SEWER AND WATER DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, the Birch Bay Water & Sewer District is a charter member of the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts (WASWD): and

WHEREAS, the District is now and has always been a member in good standing of WASWD; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the District continue to support WASWD based on an expectation WASWD will continue to grow and expand its influence throughout the State of Washington to achieve the goals and purposes set forth in Article 1 of the WASWD Bylaws; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hold the experience, knowledge, and skills of District General Managers and Chief Executive Officers of WASWD General Members in high esteem, and regard the incorporation of such attributes into WASWD General Membership decisions to be of significant benefit to the achievement of WASWD goals and purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners have studied the issue of whether District General Managers or Chief Executive Officers of member Districts should be made eligible voters at any and all meetings or conferences of the General Members of WASWD; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners have determined the organizational strength, vibrancy and professionalism of WASWD will be enhanced should the highest management level employee of its General Member in good standing be authorized to vote at any and all WASWD meetings or conferences of its General Members.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Birch Bay Water & Sewer District, Birch Bay, Washington as follows:

The Board of Commissioners of the Birch Bay Water & Sewer District recommend the Board
of Directors of WASWD and the General Members of WASWD effect a change in its Bylaws
to provide for the highest management level employee of the General Members of WASWD be
provided the right and privilege to vote on any and all matters presented for vote to its General
Members.

2. The Board of Commissioners of Birch Bay Water & Sewer District wholeheartedly support and recommend the following changes to the WASWD Bylaws Article 8. B to implement the policy set forth in Section 1 of this resolution:

## ARTICLE 8. VOTING

- B. Each commissioner and the highest management level employee of a general member in attendance at an Association membership meeting shall have one vote. If a general member has neither any commissioners nor its highest management level employee registered for an Association membership meeting, and if the Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of the general member files with the Secretary of the Association prior to the start of the meeting a written document signed by the Secretary of the Board and identifying a representative of the general member, then the identified representative of the general member shall have one vote on all business of the meeting.
- 3. The Commissioners of the Birch Bay Water & Sewer District respectfully request the WASWD Board of Directors to initiate with all due deliberate speed action to effect the recommended changes to WASWD Bylaw 8. B.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting of the Birch Bay Water & Sewer District, Birch Bay, Washington this 10 th day of December 2009.

Commissioner

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