RESOLUTION NO. 336

A RESOLUTION of the Commission of Whidbey Island Public Hospital District, Island County, Washington (the "District"), approving the terms of an amended and restated interlocal agreement and authorizing and directing the superintendent of the District to enter into that agreement and carry out its terms.

WHEREAS, Chapter 70.44.003 RCW authorizes public hospital districts to provide "hospital services and other health care services for the residents of such districts and other persons"; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 70.44.007(2) defines "other health care services" to include "nursing home, extended care, long-term care, outpatient, rehabilitative, health maintenance and ambulance services and such other services as are appropriate to the health needs of the population served"; and

WHEREAS, most of the public hospital districts in the State of Washington are located in a rural area; and

WHEREAS, the Washington state legislature has determined that maintaining the viability of health care service delivery in rural areas is a primary goal of state health policy and that it is critical to the survival of Washington's rural hospitals that cooperative and collaborative arrangements among rural public hospital districts be pursued; and

WHEREAS, the Public Hospital District statute, Chapter 70.44 RCW, and the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 39.34 RCW, expressly authorize rural public hospital districts to enter into joint agreements and contracts for health care service delivery and payment with public and private entities; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that it is in the District's best interest and in the best interest of the District's residents and other persons served by the District to enter into an interlocal agreement with rural hospital districts in Washington authorizing joint agreements for health care service delivery and payment with public and private entities; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Commission of Whidbey Island Public Hospital District, Island County, Washington, that the Superintendent of the District, or his or her designee, be authorized and directed to enter into the amended and restated interlocal agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A and to carry out the terms and conditions of that agreement.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Commission of Whidbey Island Public Hospital District, Island County, Washington, at an open public meeting thereof held in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act this 13th day of May, 2013, the following commissioners being present and voting in favor of this resolution.

President and Commissioner

Secretary and Commissioner

Commissioner

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I, RON D. WALLIN, Secretary and Commissioner of the Whidbey Island Public Hospital District, Island County, Washington, do hereby certify that the attached Resolution No. 336 is a true and correct copy of the original resolution adopted and approved on the 13th day of May, 2013 as that resolution appears on the Minute Book of the District.

DATED this 13th day of May 2013.

_____, Secretary