

# ORIGINAL

## RESOLUTION NO. 143

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, EXPRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL'S OPPOSITION TO THE CHARTER MEASURE ON THE MARCH 10, 1998, BALLOT

WHEREAS, RCW 42.17.130 provides city councils with the opportunity to take positions for or against ballot propositions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline was incorporated under the Optional Municipal Code on August 31, 1995, following an extensive public process in which the council-manager form of government was chosen for the City; and

WHEREAS, current state law provides wide latitude for citizens to organize their city government under other plans or to provide additional powers as allowed by state law; and

WHEREAS, there appear to be no significant advantages to establishing a charter for the City at this time; and

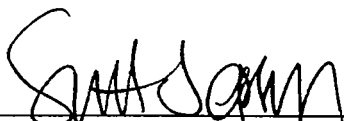
WHEREAS, the costs in funds and staff support that would be needed for a charter commission and the subsequent election that would be held to determine if the charter is approved or rejected by the voters do not appear to be justified; and

WHEREAS, the cost of operating a charter form of government is unknown;

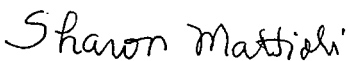
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Statement in Opposition.** The City Council urges the citizens of Shoreline to vote "NO" on the ballot proposition seeking to change the City's government to a charter form of government.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON FEBRUARY 9, 1998.**

  
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Mayor Scott Jepsen

**ATTEST:**

  
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Sharon Mattioli, CMC  
City Clerk