RESOLUTION NO. 451

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING BALLOT MEASURE NO. 5.

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure No. 5, a property tax limitation measure appearing on the November 1990 general election ballot, creates sweeping changes to the current property tax system in the State of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the property tax limitation measure contained in Ballot Measure No. 5 contains a formula for determining each local taxing unit's share of the property tax dollars and does not permit the citizens of this community to apportion their tax dollars on the basis of their priorities; and

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure No. 5, if passed, would require that cities, counties, fire districts, and special districts compete directly for the available property tax dollars, rather than encouraging cooperation and development of viable priorities among them; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stayton anticipates city revenues for basic services will be reduced by \$100,000 or more per year, and consequently the city will be forced to make reductions in city services, including police patrols, library hours, parks maintenance, community center operations, planning, and city administration; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of the Common Council of the City of Stayton that Ballot Measure No. 5 takes away the right of the citizens of the City of Stayton to set the level of city services they wish to provide; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of the Common Council of the City of Stayton that Ballot Measure No. 5 will take authority for city decisions away from the Council and inappropriately place reliance on the State of Oregon to make financial decisions for our community; and

WHEREAS, we believe that Ballot Measure No. 5 will impede the positive growth and development of our community because the city will not be able to provide needed services,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STAYTON, that we actively oppose the property tax limitation measure contained in Ballot Measure No. 5.

WAYNE L. LIERMAN, Mayor

Date

ATTEST

AVID W. KINNEY, City Administrator

Date

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