

BEFORE THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS
OF THE CITY OF THE DALLES
THE DALLES, OREGON

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WHEREAS, the Hanford Nuclear Reservation in south-central Washington has been tentatively nominated by the Secretary of Energy as one of three sites for consideration as a federal nuclear waste repository; and,

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WHEREAS, the site of the proposed repository is only six miles from the Columbia River; and,

WHEREAS, the U.S. Geological Survey, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission have all suggested that the Hanford site is potentially unsuitable for a nuclear waste repository because unpredictable groundwater flows through the unstable geology of the site threatening to contaminate the Columbia River with radionuclides; and,

WHEREAS, radioactive contamination of the Columbia River would adversely affect The Dalles' fishing, agricultural, and recreational industries and water-borne transportation as well as Wasco County parklands, fish and wildlife habitats; and,

WHEREAS, truckloads of nuclear waste could be transported along the I-84 corridor and/or along major rail lines running through The Dalles and spill or leak, presenting a serious impact on the health and welfare of The Dalles' residents; and,

WHEREAS, under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act (PL 97-425), states in which a repository is to be located are allowed the right to submit a "Notice of Disapproval" to Congress, while adjacent affected states are allowed no such right; and,

WHEREAS, if a nuclear waste repository is sited and operated at Hanford, The Dalles and Wasco County could suffer as great an adverse impact as the State of Washington,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that until the risks of The Dalles' citizens have been satisfactorily alleviated so as to protect their health and welfare and the protection of The Dalles' environment, in perpetuity, the Mayor of The Dalles and the City Council of The Dalles oppose consideration and nomination of Hanford as a Federal Nuclear Waste Repository.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that because of The Dalles' proximity to the Columbia River and the potential adverse impacts on the health and welfare of its citizens and their environment, the Mayor of The Dalles and the City Council of The Dalles requests that Congress amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act to accord Oregon the rights and privileges of a state in which a repository is to be located,

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of the City of The Dalles' Mayor's and City Council's action be made known to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Energy, the House Interior Committee of the U.S. Congress, the Congressional delegation of the State of Oregon, and entered into the official public hearing record of the U.S. Department of Energy.

DONE & DATED THIS 6TH DAY OF MAY, 1985

VOTING YES : 5

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SIGNED :

John Mabrey
Mayor

ATTEST :

John B. Thomas
City Clerk/ Treasurer

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CITY OF THE DALLES

REQUEST TO CONGRESS/ AMEND NUCLEAR WASTE POLICY ACT TO ACCORD OREGON
THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF A STATE IN WHICH A REPOSITORY IS TO BE LOCATED. ...

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