## **RESOLUTION NO. 2319**

A RESOLUTION of the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle supporting the use of Snohomish County Airport (Paine Field) and adjacent areas for airport purposes by the Snohomish County Airport Commission.

WHEREAS, as owner, developer and operator of Seattle-Tacoma International Airport the Port of Seattle is concerned with the long-term adequacy of commercial airport facilities to handle the future regional air traffic requirements, and

WHEREAS, Seattle-Tacoma International Airport by virtue of its limited land area will be at or near capacity in the 1978-1985 period; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County Airport represents an existing public resource and investment which could be expanded with relatively modest cost and could be expanded to achieve a greater capacity than exists at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Air Transportation System Advance Plan study, prepared by the airport consultant firm of R. Dixon Speas Associates, as sponsored by the Puget Sound Governmental Conference and other agencies including the Port of Seattle, recommends the Snohomish County Airport as an important airport facility; and

WHEREAS, the Consultant's first choice site location for a new

regional airport is in South Kitsap County which involves difficult factors

such as the timely development of a cross-Sound bridge; and

WHEREAS, it is mandatory for the region's economic health and

air transportation accessibility that the option of Snohomish County Airport as

a regional airport be preserved in view of the very limited and expensive

choices that this region has for the development of a new regional airport;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Port of Seattle Commission strongly supports the Snohomish County Airport Commission's aim to use and develop Snohomish County Airport (Paine Field) for airport purposes and specifically to reserve its potential for use as a possible Regional Airport; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Port of Seattle Commission urges that the Bomarc Site of Paine Field, to be declared surplus by the Federal Government, be retained solely for airport purposes.

ADOPTED BY the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle at a special meeting held on the <u>l6th</u> day of <u>December</u>, 1969, and duly authenticated in open session by the signatures of the Commissioners voting in favor thereof and the seal of the Commission.

and . Port Commissioners