



## RESOLUTION NO. 39114

1 BY REQUEST OF MAYOR STRICKLAND AND COUNCIL MEMBERS CAMPBELL  
2 AND WALKER

3 A RESOLUTION expressing support for the concept of the installation of  
4 Andy Warhol flower art on the Tacoma Dome roof, to be accomplished by a  
5 100 percent private fundraising campaign to cover the total cost of  
6 installation, maintenance, cleaning, removal, and fundraising-related  
7 expenses.

8 WHEREAS, during the construction of the Tacoma Dome (“Dome”) in 1982,  
9 a competition was held for proposals for a public art installation, and

10 WHEREAS pop artist Andy Warhol’s submission envisioned a brightly  
11 colored flower adorning the roof of the Dome, and

12 WHEREAS, in 2012, in celebration of the 30th anniversary of Warhol’s  
13 proposal, the Tacoma Art Museum hosted an exhibition of the artist’s flowers, which  
14 raised awareness of Warhol’s Dome roof art proposal, and

15 WHEREAS, at the July 12, 2012, meeting of the Economic Development  
16 Committee (“EDC”), it was recommended that staff research the possibility of  
17 installing the flower art on the Dome, and

18 WHEREAS, while the City owns the two Warhol “Flower Artworks” that were  
19 submitted as part of the 1982 competition, it does not own the rights to reproduce  
20 the flower without permission from the Warhol Foundation (“Foundation”), and

21 WHEREAS preliminary discussions with the Foundation indicated support for  
22 the concept, subject to formal support from the City, and  
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WHEREAS the Tacoma Arts Commission has requested formal City support for the concept in order to initiate further discussion with the Foundation and in support of private fundraising activities, and

WHEREAS it has been determined that a vinyl decal could be used for the art installation, and, in June 2014, a test sample of vinyl decal was installed on the Dome roof, and

WHEREAS the test of the decal installation revealed the medium will require ongoing care and maintenance in order to appropriately preserve it for display over the life of the project and to allow removal at the conclusion of the project, and

WHEREAS staff recommended to the EDC, at its December 9, 2014, meeting, that the costs of ongoing maintenance, cleaning, and removal be included in any private fundraising efforts, and

WHEREAS the estimated cost for a three-year installation, including materials, labor, maintenance, bi-annual cleaning, removal, a fundraising consultant, marketing and related expenses, and project management, is \$5.1 million, and

WHEREAS the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation has agreed to set up an account to accept donations related to the concept, and

WHEREAS the City Council's commitment of support is sought for the concept of the installation of Andy Warhol flower art on the Dome roof, to be accomplished by a 100 percent private fundraising campaign to cover the total cost of installation, maintenance, cleaning, removal, and fundraising-related expenses;

Now, Therefore,



BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

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That the City Council hereby supports the concept of the installation of Andy Warhol flower art on the Tacoma Dome roof, to be accomplished by a 100 percent private fundraising campaign to cover the total cost of installation, maintenance, cleaning, removal, and fundraising-related expenses; and directs the City Manager to work with the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney