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ORDINANCE NO. 28186

AN ORDINANCE relating to property tax levies; authorizing an increase in terms of both dollars and percentages for the 2014 Emergency Medical Services property tax levy.

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, the City is requesting an increase in the amount collected from the 2014 Tacoma Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") property tax levy, and

WHEREAS it is necessary to identify the amount of estimated revenues from property tax levies to match the estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements, and

WHEREAS EMS property tax levies are limited by RCW 84.55.010 to an increase of 1 percent on the highest levy since 1985, and by RCW 84.52.069 to \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value in the taxing district, and

WHEREAS the 2014 levy is limited to \$10,218,594.93, a 1 percent increase over the highest levy of \$10,117,420.72 in 2009 and a 27.62121 percent increase and \$2,211,622.08 increase over the previous year's actual levy of \$8,006,972.85, exclusive of additional revenue derived from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any annexations that have occurred and administrative refunds made, and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, and

WHEREAS, the assessed values in the EMS property tax boundary declined from 2009 to 2012 and are \$16,572,055,726 in 2013 and limits the 2014 collectible levy to \$8,286,027.86 due to the statutory rate limit, which is a



\$279,055.01 increase and 3.5% increase from the previous year's actual levy, and

WHEREAS the population of the district is more than 10,000; Now, Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That the 2014 EMS property tax levy is hereby authorized to increase by 27.62121 percent from the previous year's actual levy of \$8,006,972.85, a dollar increase of \$2,211,622.08 from the previous year's actual levy, exclusive of the increase due to new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any annexations that have occurred and administrative refunds made, and any increases in the value of state-assessed property; provided that due to the statutory rate limit, 2014 actual collections will be \$8,286,027.86, a \$279,055.01 increase and 3.5% increase from the previous year's actual levy.

Attest:	Mayor	
City Clerk	_	
Approved as to form:		
Deputy City Attorney	_	

Passed