

FERRY COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2006-08

REQUESTING A WASHINGTON STATE APPROPRIATION FOR CURRENT EXPENSE

WHEREAS, a Ferry County cash flow shortage in 2005 necessitated an emergency appropriation; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Washington, in recognition of the Ferry County short fall, allocated emergency assistance to Ferry County, with the caveat that Ferry County undertake a management review of the County's management practices; and

WHEREAS, in August of 2005 the Ferry County Board of Commissioners contracted with the Washington State Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development, local Government division, a management and organization review of Ferry County's government operations; and

WHEREAS, more than eighty percent (81.6%) of our land base is held in public domain (Federal, Tribal and State ownership) and of the remaining taxable lands (18.4%) approximately eighty percent are in special tax classifications; and

WHEREAS, economic conditions continue to deteriorate with the closure of Kinross mining activities, the current closure of the Kinross milling operations, the continuing reduction of taxable land; and

WHEREAS, the management review identified and recommended changes in Ferry County's operations; and

Whereas, Ferry County has implemented the recommendations, to the extent of their power; and

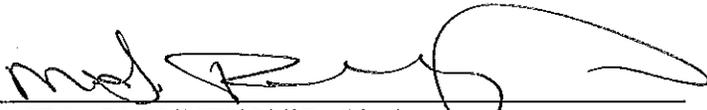
WHEREAS, the management review states that while these changes will assist with the County's short fall, it will not be enough to address fiscal issues and additional action will be required, and

WHEREAS, the Ferry County management and organization review identified the need to increase the County's revenues in the Current Expense Fund by 1.1 to 1.3 million dollars per year;

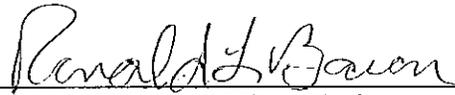
NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved the Ferry County Board of Commissioners request that the State of Washington appropriate sustaining relief to Ferry County's current expense budget in the sum of 1.3 million dollars annually.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 27th, day of February, 2006.

FERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



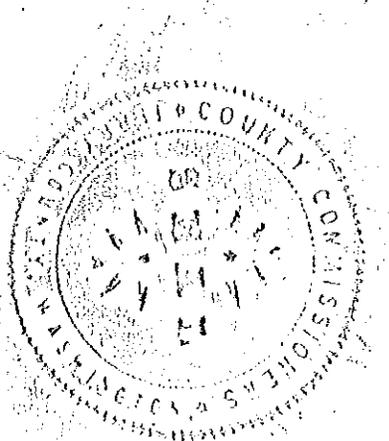
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ATTEST:

for 
Joy Osterberg, Clerk of the Board