RESOLUTION NO. [435]

A RESOLUTION related to the creation of a new fund, Public Safety Sales Tax – Law, Fund 1230.

WHEREAS, the BARS manual allows for the establishment of special revenue funds that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specific purposes other than debt service or capital projects; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 16289, the Board of County Commissioners placed a proposition on the November 7, 2023, general election for an additional sales and use tax in Thurston County to be used for law enforcement protection purposes, additional prosecution and public defense services, and elections security; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 1 was approved by the voters of Thurston County by a margin of 56.36 percent to 43.64 percent; and

WHEREAS, the Thurston County Auditor certified the results of the general election on November 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, 75 percent of the amount of the sales and use tax retained by the county shall only be used for law enforcement protection, including hiring additional sheriff deputies, and associated infrastructure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THURSTON COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:

1. Fund Created

The special revenue fund for Public Safety Sales Tax - Law, Fund 1230, is hereby created and established. The Thurston County Auditor and Thurston County Treasurer are hereby directed to establish said fund in their respective offices. This fund is subject to appropriation under Chapter 36.40 RCW.

2. Administration of the Fund

The fund will be administered by the Board of County Commissioners or the Board's designee.

3. Revenue

The source of revenue for this fund will be generated by two-tenths of one percent sales tax, as authorized under RCW 82.14.450, to support criminal justice purposes.

4. Purpose

The funds from this account may be expended for law enforcement protection, including hiring additional sheriff deputies, and associated infrastructure as stated in Resolution 16289.

5. The interest earned by this fund will remain in the fund.

ADOPTED: December 15, 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Thurston County, Washington

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM: JON TUNHEIM PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

BY: Clizabeth Petrich
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

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