## RESOLUTION # 489

## A RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE THE COLUMBIA RIVER CROSSING (CRC) LIGHT RAIL TOLLING PROJECT

WHEREAS, the nearly \$10 billion long-term cost of the CRC will result in significant losses of state and federal funding opportunities for the transportation infrastructure needs of our region; and

WHEREAS, new fees and taxes will likely be required and imposed upon our citizenry without the opportunity for voter approval; and

WHEREAS, there is abundant evidence of widespread and overwhelming public opposition including the recent general election where the majority of voters defeated a measure of fund light rail; and

WHEREAS, more appropriate transportation priorities can provide more effective solutions to relieve traffic congestion, save significant cost and potentially gain better public support; and

WHEREAS, we (as elected officials) are obligated to speak up for our citizenry and to protect vital future funding sources; and

WHEREAS, it is important for elected officials to stand up and be counted on what may be the largest transportation project in state history,

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN COUNCIL OF YACOLT, WASHINGTON RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

The Town of Yacolt Council hereby directs the Clerk/Treasurer to notify all of those concerned with the CRC, including ODOT, WDOT, TriMet, RTC, C-Tran, Metro, the City of Portland, the City of Vancouver, the Washington and Oregon Governors' offices, both State Legislatures, the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Highway Administration and Congressional delegates that:

The Town Council of Yacolt strongly objects to the efforts to commit any funding to the Columbia River Crossing Light Rail Tolling project as currently planned;

And

That Yacolt urges all other Oregon and Washington cities and counties to stand up and be counted on in this very important matter.

Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Yacolt, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013.

Town of Yacolt

Jeff Carothers, Mayor

Attest:

Cindy Marbut, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Ayes:	Karl,	fierbardt, Urias,	Hancock, Myers
Nays:	Ø	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Absent	: 0		