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Date: June 1, 2009

To: Chair Eugene Matsusaka and Members of the Board

From: Neel Parikh, Executive Director

Subject: Fife Annexation to Pierce County Library System

We are very pleased to inform you that the Fife City Council voted unanimously on May 26<sup>th</sup> to put annexation to the Pierce County Library System on the November ballot.

The only testimony came from Councilmember Godwin, followed up by a question from Councilmember Glen Hull asking the population of the Bonney Lake service area, noting that the Fife library would be about the same size as the Bonney Lake library. The attached newspaper article accurately portrays Councilmember Godwin's comments.

In accordance with the Revised Code of Washington, the library Board of Trustees must concur with the request for annexation.

We recommend that the Board of Trustees concur with this annexation. This request is the result of hard work negotiating between the City of Fife and the library system. The annexation agreement represents our "promises" to the City of Fife. We have carefully evaluated the fiscal impact of this proposal and we request that the Board concur with the annexation of Fife into the library district.