DRAFT #2 – 12-09-03

"CHARTERING RESOLUTION"

RESOLUTION No. _____

Whereas, Skagit County operates the Guemes Island Ferry between Anacortes, Washington and Guemes Island, and

Whereas, the ferry operation most directly affects the residents and property owners of Guemes Island; and

Whereas, there is a tradition of a citizen Ferry Committee serving as a liaison between the Guemes Islander ferry users and the County Commissioners; and

Whereas, historically a Ferry Committee has been elected, at open public meetings, to serve in this capacity for the last 20 years.

Whereas, the "Guemes Island Ferry Operations Management Analysis" recommended that the Board of County Commissioners adopt a Resolution recognizing and chartering the Ferry Committee as the advisory representative for Guemes Island ferry riders; and

Whereas, the "Guemes Island Ferry Operations Management Analysis" further recommended that the Resolution specify the purpose, authority and operating procedures for the chartered Committee, including procedures for regular reporting to the Board of County Commissioners; and

Whereas, the "Guemes Island Ferry Operations Management Analysis" further recommended that by-laws be created that define the chartered Committee's structure and operations, and suggested that the Skagit Transit Citizens' Advisory Committee by-laws could serve as a model for the Ferry CAC

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Guemes Island Ferry Committee be the designated representatives of the ridership in matters pertaining to the Guemes Ferry.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Guemes Island Ferry Committee shall serve the ferry users and the County Commissioners through the procedures defined in the Guemes Island Ferry Committee Charter and at the direction of the Skagit County Board of Commissioners.

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WITNESS OUR HANDS AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF OUR OFFICE this _____day of _____2004.