

**RESOLUTION No. 1209
(2023)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE PORT OF EVERETT COMMISSION SUPPORTING THE EVERETT
M-5 EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION PROJECT FOR THE MARINE HIGHWAY PROGRAM
GRANT APPLICATION TO THE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION.

Project Name: Everett M-5 Equipment Acquisition Project

WHEREAS, the Port of Everett created Container On Barge service in Puget Sound to support the aerospace manufacturing supply chain;

WHEREAS, the Port of Everett created the first Marine Highway Project Designation in Puget Sound on the M-5 Marine Highway Route;

WHEREAS, the Port of Everett considers it in the best public interest of our residents to invest in cargo handling equipment that creates greater efficiency and value in the supply chain;

WHEREAS, the Port of Everett considers it in the best public interest of our residents to invest in cargo handling equipment promotes new market access for the region's agricultural products;

WHEREAS, the Port of Everett considers it in the best public interest of our residents to invest in technologies that reduce greenhouse gas emissions;

WHEREAS, the Port of Everett has increased Container On Barge service with Canadian ports for non-aerospace cargo;

WHEREAS, the Department of Defense has identified the Port of Everett's waterways as the primary transportation method in the Puget Sound in the event of a natural disaster;

WHEREAS, the government of the United States of America has designated the Port of Everett as one of only 18 Strategic Seaports in the nation;

WHEREAS, the Port of Everett is identified as a recovery port for the region in the event of a human-made or natural disaster near the state's largest container ports;

WHEREAS, the Port of Everett is applying for a Marine Highways Program grant from the Maritime Administration to procure yard tractors with higher emissions standards and bale clamps to grow utilization of the M-5 Route of the Marine Highway network;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Executive Director of the Port of Everett, or their designee, is authorized to make formal application to the Maritime Administration for the Marine Highways Program for grant funding assistance; and

2. Any funding assistance received shall be used for implementation of the Project referenced above; and
 3. The Port of Everett Commission supports the capital investments identified in the Port of Everett Fuel Dock Infrastructure and Revitalization Project grant application.
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Approved by:



Lisa Lefebber
CEO/Executive Director
April 28, 2023

Ratified by the Port Commission of the Port of Everett in Snohomish County, Washington, this 2nd day of May, 2023.



Glen Bachman
President



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Secretary