A RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY THE PROPOSITION OF LEVYING A ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT (.5%) RETAILERS' SALES TAX IN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, TO BE IN EFFECT FROM JULY 1, 1997 TO JUNE 30, 2002.

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 12-187 et seq. authorizes the Governing Body to submit to the qualified electors of the City the question of levying a retailers' sales tax, such tax to be collected by the State Department of Revenue with the revenue therefrom returned to this city; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Columbus, Kansas, has determined that additional revenue is needed to finance streets within the City, to finance sewers within the City, to finance surface water sewers and drainage within the City, and to finance any other projects within the City deemed necessary by the Governing Body; that property tax increases should be avoided if possible, and that the voters should be given a choice as to the method used to finance public services;

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS.

SECTION 1. A special question election shall be held in the manner prescribed by law on the 1st day of April, 1997 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the City of Columbus, Kansas, the question of levying a retailers' sales tax in the City of Columbus, Kansas, in the amount of one-half of one percent (.5%), such tax to take effect on July 1, 1997 through June 30, 2002; if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

SECTION 2. If approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon, such tax shall be subject to all applicable state laws and administrative rules and regulations of the Kansas Department of Revenue. The services of the Department of Revenue shall be utilized to administer, enforce and collect such tax.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk and County Election Officer shall cause notices to be published of this special question election, as provided by law.

PASSED by the Governing Body of the City of Columbus, Kansas, this 18th day of February, 1997.

W. E. Schaiff - Mayor

ATTEST :

Gail R. Houser - City Clerk

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