

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-29

A RESOLUTION accepting a restricted monetary donation from the estate of Pamela Dee Grueter-Schmidt to the City of Ellensburg Animal Shelter.

WHEREAS, the last will and testament of Pamela Dee Grueter-Schmidt identifies the Ellensburg Animal Shelter as a co-beneficiary of the estate, and Heifer Project International as the other beneficiary; and

WHEREAS, the total estate value is currently valued at over \$800,000, which, after the estate's costs and expenses are paid, would be split between Ellensburg Animal Shelter and Heifer Project International; and

WHEREAS, the Ellensburg Animal Shelter would benefit from receiving the cash donation; and

WHEREAS, while probate of the estate is still ongoing, it would be beneficial for the City to formally accept this bequest and authorize the Mayor and City Manager to execute any documents necessary to accept the bequests and complete the probate process; and

WHEREAS, the Ellensburg City Council, pursuant to 2.04.120 the Ellensburg City Code must accept any monetary donation which exceeds \$1,000;

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington, does resolve as follows:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Ellensburg hereby authorizes the City, on behalf of the Ellensburg Animal Shelter, to accept the restricted donation from the estate of Pamela Dee Grueter-Schmidt, which is likely to be a substantial sum, well in excess of the \$1,000 specified in ECC 2.04.120.

Section 2. The City Council directs staff to manage the bequeathed funds as restricted for use in support of the Ellensburg Animal Shelter.

Section 3. The Mayor and City Manager are authorized to execute any documents required to accept the bequests from the estate of Pamela Dee Grueter-Schmidt.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City Ellensburg this 6th day of October 2025.

Mayor
Attest: Betto Lander
City Clerk