

RESOLUTION NO. 253

WHEREAS, taxes on real property have increased drastically in recent years, due to property revaluations and the increased cost of governments dependent upon the property tax; and

WHEREAS, the average taxpayer is finding it increasingly difficult to determine what his rights are under the law relative to his property tax liabilities and the appeal processes available to him to review his property assessments and tax increases; and

WHEREAS, the average taxpayer should not be compelled to pay extraordinary costs to employ a lawyer, appraiser or other expert person to aid him before governmental bodies for review of his tax problems; and

WHEREAS, Washington State law permits appointment of "Property Tax Advisors" to aid the taxpayer (Laws of 1971, 1st Extraordinary Session, Chapter 288, Section 11); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a position of "Mason County Tax Advisor" is created; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said "Tax Advisor" is directed to assist all taxpayers requesting assistance in the preparation of all appeals of property assessments for tax purposes to the Mason County Board of Equalization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, said "Tax Advisor" shall be compensated on the following fee basis: \$25.00 per day.

DATED this 7th day of August, 1972.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON.

William C. Hunter
Chairman

Martin A. Smith

John Barckman

ATTEST:

Ruth E. Boyesen
Auditor & Clerk of the Board.

cc: Cmmrs.
✓ Auditor