AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF TRI-CITY REGIONAL TOURISM PROMOTION AREA PROVIDING FOR THE INCREASE IN THE LEVY OF THE SPECIAL LODGING ASSESSMENT ON LODGING BUSINSESS WITHIN THE TRI-CITY REGIONAL TOURISM PROMOTION AREA

BY THIS FIRST AMENDMENT to that Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Establishment of Tri-City Regional Promotion Area dated the 1st day of June, 2004, entered into by and among the City of Kennewick, the City of Pasco, and the City of Richland, Washington, the parties agree to the following:

WHEREAS, the Special Lodging Assessment was established in 2004 at \$1.50 per day of stay, and has since that time remained unchanged; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution received from the Tri-City Regional Hotel-Motel Commission, the Commission is recommending an increase in the Special Lodging Assessment from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per day of stay as permitted by RCW 35.101.050; and

WHEREAS, the increase for the Special Lodging Assessment can only be enacted upon the approval of all of the cities, and amendment of the respective Ordinances establishing the assessment by a majority plus one of each of the City Councils.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the cities agree as follows:

- 1. That Section 3.A of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement shall be and hereby is amended and shall read as follows.
 - 3. <u>Levy of Special Lodging Assessments on Lodging Businesses</u> within the Tri-City Regional Tourism Promotion Area.
 - A. The City Council of each of the Cities shall levy a Special Lodging Assessment on the Operators of Lodging Businesses within their jurisdictions uniformly throughout the Tri-City Regional Tourism Promotion Area as follows:

Classification A:

\$1.502.00

Classification B:

\$ -0-

2. All remaining terms, sections, subsections, and conditions of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Establishment of Tri-City Regional Tourism Promotion Area, dated the 1st day of June, 2004, not inconsistent herewith, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Kennewick, the City of Pasco, and the City of Richland, Washington, by their authorized officials have executed this Agreement pursuant to all requirements of law on this 17th day of October, 2013. By: Steve C. Young, Mayor Attest: Approved as to form: Lisa Beaton, City Attorney **CITY OF PASCO** By: Matt Watkins, Mayor Attest: Debra L. Clark, City Clerk Approved as to form: Leland B. Kerr, City Attorney CITY OF RICHLAND By: John Fox, Mayor Attest: Marcia Hopkins, City Clerk Approved as to form:

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Ms. Cindy Johnson
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Dear Ms. Johnson:

Thank you for your support of the Tri-Cities Visitor & Convention Bureau and the Tri-City Hotel-Motel Commission's efforts to increase the Tourism Promotion Area (TPA) Assessment. Enclosed is an original copy of the signed amended Interlocal Agreement.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly at 735-6818.

Sincerely,

Kris Watkins

President & CEO