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To the Honorable President and Members, The Senate of the State of Washington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning, without my approval as to Sections 10 and 12, Second Substitute Senate Bill 6855 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to dedicated funding for jobs, economic development, and local capital projects."

This bill expands upon the existing Community Services Facilities program by creating the Building Communities Fund Account in the State Treasury. I am very supportive of the policy underlying this bill.

Section 10 gives responsibility to the Economic Development Commission that it already has and this is not something the Commission requested. Reiterating it in this legislation is unnecessary. Therefore, I am vetoing Section 10 to avoid any expectations about requirements either on the Community Economic Development Board or the Economic Development Commission.

I support the concept of expanding the existing Community Services Facilities Program, but it is unnecessary to outline legislative findings in this legislation. Therefore, I am vetoing Section 12.

For these reasons, I have vetoed Sections 10 and 12 of Second Substitute Senate Bill 6855.

With the exception of Sections 10 and 12, Second Substitute Senate Bill 6855 is approved.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Christine O. Gregoire Governor