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MOTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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2 A MOTION relating to the adoption of an  
3 interim policy regarding agricultural lands  
4 located in the area of unincorporated King  
5 County west of and including Range 5.

6 WHEREAS, King County adopted Ordinance 1096 on January 10,  
7 1972, which established a farmlands policy for all agricultural  
8 lands in King County and which states: "Class II and III soils  
9 having agricultural potential and other classified or unclassified  
10 land presently being farmed shall be reserved for current and  
11 anticipated needs", and

12 WHEREAS, King County adopted Ordinance 1839 on November 3,  
13 1973, which established policy regarding agricultural lands of  
14 unincorporated King County located only in the area East of and  
15 including Range 6 and which states: "All individual parcels of  
16 agricultural land having Class II and/or Class III soils that  
17 collectively comprise a contiguous area of 160 or more acres"  
18 shall be included in open space uses, and

19 WHEREAS, the County policy regarding agricultural lands  
20 located in the area of King County West of and including Range 5  
21 is not clearly defined at the present time, and

22 WHEREAS, a study which will result in proposals for policies  
23 and/or programs regarding agricultural lands located West of and  
24 including Range 5 has been proposed and will be completed on or  
25 before December 31, 1976.

26 WHEREAS, there is a need to establish an interim policy to  
27 guide zoning or other land use decisions which may come before  
28 the King County Council prior to the completion of the above  
29 cited study,

30 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

31 1. Lands located in unincorporated King County West of and  
32 including Range 5 which meet each of the following criteria shall  
33 not be reclassified:

a. Lands classified for agricultural use under K.C.C. 21.22

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b. Lands containing Class II or Class III soils

c. Land which have been used for commercial agricultural production during 1975.

2. This policy shall not be effective after December 31, 1976.

PASSED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 1975.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

*Bill Ream*  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Council