Introduced by: Ruby Chow

MOTION NO. 2713

76-865

A MOTION approving the transitional care treatment amendment to the 1976 King County Mental Health Plan.

WHEREAS, recent experience in King County has shown that there are significant gaps in the present system for treating the mentally ill, and

WHEREAS, one of the most serious of these gaps is the lack of programming to aid former and potential residents of state institutions in making the transition to living in the community, and

WHEREAS, care of the mentally ill, particularly the population mentioned above, is the traditional responsibility of the state, and programs for them should be funded solely by the state, and

WHEREAS, King County is aiding the state in developing a transitional care treatment program only because of the severity of the unmet need and the consequent disservice to our citizens and because of the understanding that funding for the program is solely the responsibility of the State of Washington, and

WHEREAS, the state, through the Department of Social and Health Services, has awarded King County an additional \$191,368 for transitional care contingent upon amendment of the 1976 King County Mental Health Plan, and

WHEREAS, the King County Mental Health Board has recommended the attached amendment to the King County Council;

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

- 1. The attached Transitional Care Treatment Program amendment to the 1976 King County Mental Health Plan is hereby approved, and the County Executive is authorized to transmit it to the Department of Social and Health Services;
- 2. The County Executive is hereby authorized to accept the award of funds in the amount of \$191,368 from the Department of Social and Health Services for the Transitional Care

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Treatment Program, <u>provided that</u> expenditure of funds in excess of the \$79,068 shown in the attached budget must be approved by further Motion of the King County Council;

- 3. The King County Executive is hereby authorized to file and execute such applications and contracts as are required by the Bureau of Mental Health;
- 4. The County Executive is also authorized to enter into and execute such subcontracts as are necessary for the implementation of the project;
- 5. The United States of America, State of Washington are hereby assured full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- 6. The King County Council urges the State of Washington to allow the Transitional Care Treatment Program to become a permanent part of the treatment system in King County by funding it on a continuing basis.

PASSED this 27% day of September, 1976.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chairman

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Council