Introduced by: Councilwoman Stern

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A MOTION declaring the inability of properties requiring access via the Baring Suspension Bridge No. 509A to comply with the State Subdivision Statute, prohibiting further subdivision of said properties until adequate access is available and directing the investigation of a Road Improvement District to provide such access.

WHEREAS, the King County Council has determined that Baring Suspension Bridge No. 509A is not capable of safely or economically accommodating a frequency of use significantly in excess of that which it is presently experiencing; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 2380 acres of private land southwest of the Skykomish River bounded by Snohomish County to the north and National Forest Lands to the west, south and east whose only available public access is by means of said Baring Suspension Bridge No. 509A; and

WHEREAS, said property as presently zoned is capable of being subdivided into more than 2000 potential building lots which could generate a many fold increase in frequency of utilization of the bridge; and

WHEREAS, the State Subdivision Statute Chapter 58.17 of the Revised Code of Washington requires under R.C.W. 58.17.110 that the Council determine that any proposed subdivision makes appropriate provision for the public health, safety and welfare and that the Council shall further determine that the public interest will be served by the platting of such subdivision; and WHEREAS, Chapter 36.88 of the Revised Code of Washington makes provision for the creation of County Road Improvement Districts for the construction or improvement of necessary facilities including bridges and provides under R.C.W. 36.88.030 that the formation of such districts may be initiated by the County, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: The further subdivision of properties requiring access by the Baring Suspension Bridge No. 509A would not further the public health, safety and welfare and would not be in the public interest until such time as bridge improvement or an alternative access route is provided which complies with the established County standards.

BE IT FURTHER MOVED by the Council of King County: The King County Executive is hereby requested to direct the Department of Public Works to canvass the affected property owners to determine the probability of forming a Road Improvement District pursuant to Chapter 36.88 of the Revised Code of Washington to serve those properties requiring access via the Baring Suspension Bridge No. 509A and to report the results of such canvass to the Council.

> KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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