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A MOTION relating to employment; stating the County's support of the Private Sector Initiatives Program, a program to be administered by the King-Snohomish Manpower Consortium.

WHEREAS, in February, 1978, President Carter, in his State of the Union Address, called for expanded business and industry participation in employment and training programs, and

WHEREAS, King and Snohomish Counties have been selected as one of the initial thirty-four areas nationally to plan and develop a Private Sector Initiatives Program (PSIP), through their agent, the King-Snohomish Manpower Consortium, and

WHEREAS, the goal of PSIP is to place disadvantaged persons in the private sector utilizing the mechanism of a Private Industry Council (PIC), and

WHEREAS, the PIC, composed primarily of business, industry and labor representatives will have been established to advise KSMC and its program agents on the needs of the private sector, to review CETA activities from the perspective of the private sector, to participate in the design of and to effect projects to increase private sector placement, and

WHEREAS, it is assumed that the CETA legislation recently reauthorized by the Congress will contain significant amounts of funds to support the PSIP, and

WHEREAS, in policies and programs, local government is increasingly examining the relationships between economic development, employment, and the impacts of private and public sector to integrate complementary goals in employment and economic development, and

WHEREAS, the PSIP offers a unique opportunity to evaluate the present policies comprising the comprehensive manpower system in King and Snohomish Counties, from the perspective of the private sector, to insure that services of high quality are being provided in an effective manner, and

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WHEREAS, the PSIP, through the development of linkages with the private sector, offers a unique opportunity to develop new sources of information related to economic development and employment which should lead to more specificity in allocating scarce public resources and serving the client population, and

WHEREAS, the PSIP offers a unique opportunity to verify traditional manpower training models and policies and propose new methods of service delivery through imaginative program design and experience,

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

The County endorses the Private Sector Initiative Program (PSIP), funded by the Department of Labor and to be administered locally through the King-Snohomish Manpower Consortium.

Further, the County encourages that the PSIP strenuously examine, through planning and program design:

a. The development of new sources of manpower and employment information resulting in a continuing local examination of the relevance of current manpower service models,

b. The implementation of programs, involving labor, the private and public sector; programs which attempt to integrate short- and long-term economic development with the employment needs of the two-county area.

PASSED this 23rd day of October, 1978.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Bernard Stern
Chairman

ATTEST:

Dorothy M. Owens
Deputy Clerk of the Council

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