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MOTION NO. 5763

A MOTION declaring Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome ("AIDS") a public health problem; seeking passage of federal legislation to fund AIDS research; and pledging local support for education, information, screenings, and referral programs.

WHEREAS, nationally over 1500 persons have contacted the deadly disease Acquired Immune Deficiency Snydrome ("AIDS") since 1979 and, of those persons, more than 520 have died, more then the fatalities attributed to the Legionnaires Disease and Toxic Shock Syrdrome combined, and

WHEREAS, there is no known cause or cure for AIDS, and WHEREAS, there is a need to mobilize resources at both national and local levels in an effort to control AIDS and provide assistance to those who suffer from its effects;

WHEREAS, the King County Council commends the United States House of Representatives for passing House Resolutions 2713 and 3069, and

WHEREAS, the goal of local government is to obtain additional information about AIDS and try to help solve the problem;

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

- A. Acquired Immunity Deficiency Syndrome is declared to be a public health problem.
- B. U. S. Senators from Washington State are urged to support and work for passage of House Resolutions 2713 and 3069 to increase the Center for Disease Control funding of AIDS research.