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Introduced by: GARY GRANT

Proposed No.: 85-378

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MOTION NO. _____

A MOTION requesting the County's Facilities Management Division to cease all attempts to ban the sale of popcorn at the cigar counter on the first floor of the King County Courthouse.

WHEREAS, popcorn is one of the great inventions of mankind, rivalling the frisbee and the hula hoop in its general popularity, and

WHEREAS, a fresh bag of popcorn, with the appropriate amounts of butter and salt can make an otherwise dreary work day more tolerable, and

WHEREAS, Harvey Twombly, proprietor of the cigar counter on the first floor of the courthouse has cheerfully served the county workforce and citizens having business in the courthouse for three years, and

WHEREAS, to the delight of many popcorn lovers, in May of 1984, Harvey initiated the sale of popcorn to his customers, and

WHEREAS, the positive response to popcorn available for purchase in the courthouse was immediate and continues, and

WHEREAS, the facilities management division of the county's department of executive administration has advised Harvey that the sale of popcorn at his cigar counter must stop, asserting it poses serious maintenance problems, and

WHEREAS, Harvey has been receptive to the suggestions of the facilities management division and has cooperated by changing the containers in which the popcorn is sold, and

WHEREAS, the concept of freedom of choice is a cherished and sacred precept in our country, and

1 WHEREAS, the county workforce and all other citizens should
2 have a choice whether to purchase popcorn in the courthouse, and

3 WHEREAS, the cessation of popcorn sales in the courthouse
4 would deny that freedom of choice;

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

6 The King County Council reaffirms its support of freedom of
7 choice, and requests the county's division of facilities
8 management to cease all attempts to ban the sale of popcorn at
9 the cigar counter on the first floor of the King County
10 Courthouse.

11 BE IT FURTHER MOVED,

12 All county employees and others having business in county
13 buildings are encouraged to exercise due care while transporting
14 or consuming popcorn.

15 PASSED this 22nd day of July, 1985.

17 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
18 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

19 Gary Grant
20 Chairman

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22 ATTEST:

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24 Dorothy M. Owens
25 Clerk of the Council