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INTRODUCED BY: PAUL BARDEN

PROPOSED NO. 85-479

MOTION NO. 0336

A MOTION relating to the Arts Commission
Festival of New Works - Performa '87 - and
expressing Council support for the program.

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5 WHEREAS, the King County Arts Commission is preparing for a
6 major festival of new works in 1987 on the occasion of the 20th
7 Anniversary of the Commission, and

8 WHEREAS, the purpose of the festival is to produce and
9 promote world premieres of new work which fosters the highest
10 artistic quality, generates national media attention, stimulates
11 cultural education and excitement, and involves the citizens,
12 tourists, business and arts communities of the northwest, and

13 WHEREAS, the festival is intended to assist King County arts
14 organizations and independent artists with the commissioning,
15 presentation and promotion of new works, and

16 WHEREAS, the festival is intended to increase local public
17 awareness of new works through an educational campaign, and

18 WHEREAS, it is also intended to encourage positive inter-
19 action between the government, business and arts communities,
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21 WHEREAS, the executive committee of the festival includes
22 some of Seattle's most prominent civic, business and cultural
23 leaders, and

24 WHEREAS, the executive committee will be assisted by a
25 resource group of twenty-five members composed of Seattle's
26 leaders in the arts, marketing and business communities, and

27 WHEREAS, members of the national jury include artists with
28 national reputations in the arts such as Trisha Brown, Robert
29 Joffrey, George Coates, Philip Glass and Brendan Gill, and
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1 WHEREAS, the total cost of the new works festival is
2 expected to be \$1.2 - \$1.4 million including in-kind
3 contributions from arts organizations, contributions from other
4 governmental jurisdictions and art commissions, the National
5 Endowment for the Arts, private organizations and business, and

6 WHEREAS, the King County council has appropriated \$20,000
7 and \$85,000 in 1984 and 1985, respectively, to support the
8 development of the festival and will be requested to appropriate
9 \$85,000 and \$115,000 in 1986 and 1987, respectively, to further
10 support the festival.

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

12 The council recognizes the importance of the New Works
13 Festival - Performa '87 - and intends to support appropriation
14 requests from the arts commission to support the festival in
15 1986 and 1987.

16 PASSED this 31st day of September, 1985.

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18 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
19 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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21 Gary Grant
22 Chairman

23 ATTEST:

24 Dorothy M. Owens
25 Clerk of the Council
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