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A MOTION recognizing the contributions of the Farmlands Study Committee, Farmlands Selection Committee, Task Force on Farmlands Preservation, and Office of Agriculture to the preservation of farmlands in King County.

WHEREAS, an unprecedented and visionary proposal to preserve farmlands in King County was developed with the assistance of a large group of committed citizens, the Farmlands Study Committee, and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 1979 the voters of King County approved Proposition 3 by a substantial majority, authorizing a bond issue of \$50,000,000 to purchase voluntarily offered development rights to farm and open space lands, and

WHEREAS, innovative approaches to fulfill the voters* mandate were developed by the Executive Task Force and office of agriculture to overcome obstacles to the agriculture program's implementation due to unanticipated increases in bond market interest rates and litigation, and

WHEREAS, the hard work, dedication, resourcefulness, and perseverance of the members of the Executive Task Force on Farmlands Preservation, Farmlands Selection Committee and staff from the office of agriculture, have preserved more than 12,000 acres of farmlands from development in the Sammamish, Green, and Snoqualmie river valleys, the Enumclaw Plateau and other horticultural food-producing farmlands for the benefit of the current and future generations;

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

The King County council commends and expresses its thanks
to the following individuals for their contributions in making
the Farmlands Preservation Program a reality:

- A. The ninety-two King County citizens of the Farmlands Study Committee, James Ellis, Chair, who assisted in the original development of the program, and;
- B. The staff of the office of agriculture; Eugene Duvernoy, administrator, Keith Artz, LeRoy Jones, John Perry, with the support of Holly Miller, director, and Steve Miller, deputy director, department of planning and community development, and;
- C. The members of the Executive Task Force on Farmlands
 Preservation; Rita Elway, Chair, Keith Dearborn, Eugene
 Duvernoy, Carol James, Gerry Johnson, John Keegan, Bruce Koppe,
 Scott Wallace, and the Farmlands Selection Committee; John
 Keegan, Chair, Steve Dennis, Susan Golub, Ben Hayes, Koji
 Norikane, David Owens, Harriet Sherburne.

PASSED this 21st day of January, 1986

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chair

ATTEST:

Bantly M. June Clerk of the Counci