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MOTION NO. _____

A MOTION declaring the intention to establish an ad hoc committee to investigate reform of animal control.

WHEREAS, King County animal control, a section of the general services division, efficiently provides animal control services throughout King County outside the cities of Renton and Seattle, and

WHEREAS, the King County animal control destroyed 15,000 dogs and cats last year, and

WHEREAS, increasing residential development throughout the service area will place strains upon the level of service and the population of unwanted dogs and cats is growing, and

WHEREAS, more efficient and humane methodologies may be available to control the population of unwanted pets;

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

A. It is the intention of the the council to form an ad hoc committee to review animal control in King County.

B. The committee shall consist of representatives from the general services division, the budget office, the Department of Licenses and Consumer Affairs of the City of Seattle, the Humane Society, Inc., Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of Seattle-King County, the Progressive Animal Welfare Society, and the council program staff. The council staff shall coordinate a schedule of meetings.

C. The committee shall report to the council's Operations, Justice, and Human Services Committee on or before August 15, 1986 to ensure its recommendations may be considered in the 1987 budget deliberations.

1 D. The committee shall investigate animal control and
2 welfare programs in other jurisdictions and may recommend
3 changes in the following policy areas:

- 4 1. the rate structure of animal control licenses, fees,
5 and fines;
- 6 2. animal impoundment procedures;
- 7 3. improved adoption procedures, including a mobile
8 program;
- 9 4. spay-neuter inducements, both direct and indirect;
- 10 5. regulation and licensing of pet stores, animal
11 breeders, and kennels;
- 12 6. animal control zones;
- 13 7. training programs for animal control officers;
- 14 8. public education toward responsible pet ownership;
- 15 9. sale of animals for medical research.

16 PASSED this 21st day of April, 1986.

17 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
18 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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20 Audrey Dreyer
21 Chair

22 ATTEST:

23 Janet M. Owens
24 Clerk of the Council