October 23, 1986 0008B/hz/BM INTRODUCED BY: <u>Councilman Bill Reams</u>

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MOTION NO.

A MOTION honoring Kirkland Fire Chief Bob Ely for being elected president of the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

WHEREAS, the King County Council recognizes the qualities of leadership and character needed to be elected president of the International Association of Fire Chiefs, and

WHEREAS, Robert H. Ely, Director of Fire Services in Kirkland, Washington since March, 1969, began his fire service career as a volunteer firefighter with King County Fire District #14 in Bellevue and later joined that department as a career fire fighter in 1961, serving as Captain, Fire Marshal, and was appointed Fire Chief in 1964, and

WHEREAS, he has served the fire service actively over the years in many capacities, including president of the Washington State Association of Fire Chiefs and president of the Western Fire Chiefs Association, and

WHEREAS, the International Association of Fire Chiefs was formed in 1873, with a membership which includes representatives from 28 countries and is an organization held in high esteem throughout the world as a vital network whose goal is to prevent loss of life and property by pursuing new ideas in fire protection, and

WHEREAS, the King County Council is indeed pleased to recognize one of its citizens for holding such a prestigious position, which will bring honor and acclaim to King County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County: The King County Council commends and honors Robert H. Ely, Director of Fire Services in Kirkland, Washington as the newly elected president of the International Association of Fire Chiefs. PASSED this 27th of October KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON ATTEST: