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A MOTION honoring and welcoming Earl Robinson and his return to the Pacific Northwest on June 5, 1989.

WHEREAS, the people of Seattle and King County are indeed fortunate to have world famous composer Earl Robinson return to his home in the Pacific Northwest after a 55-year absence, and

WHEREAS, Robinson was raised in West Seattle, and graduated from West Seattle High in 1928 and from the University of Washington in 1933 with a degree in music and a teaching certificate, and

WHEREAS, social and political causes have inspired most of Robinson's songs which have been performed through the years by such diverse and popular entertainers as Paul Robeson, Mahalia Jackson, Sammy Davis, Jr., Pete Seeger, Frank Sinatra, and Joan Baez, and

WHEREAS, his brilliant musical talent has touched the lives of millions of Americans and peoples throughout the world with such classics as labor ballad "Joe Hill," "Ballad For Americans," a cantata celebrating American diversity; "Black and White," a tribute to the 1954 Supreme Court desegration decision and the popular "The House I Live In," and

WHEREAS, his songs are written for people of all ethnicities, all political beliefs, all races and religions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED: The King County Council is honored to have Earl Robinson present this day, and welcomes his return to the Pacific Northwest by proclaiming June 5, 1989 to be:

EARL ROBINSON DAY

PASSED this 5 <sup>r</sup>	day	of	Ju	no	,	1989
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