

MOTION NO. 7674

A MOTION welcoming and honoring the Vladimir Chamber Choir and its founder and director Edward Markin, Meritorious Artist, on the occasion of their first American tour that will offer the opportunity for American and Soviet citizens to meet and interact through music.

WHEREAS, the Vladimir Chamber Choir from Russia's ancient capital is internationally known for their interpretation of Russian music of the 16th to 20th Century, and

WHEREAS, the Seattle Peace Chorus, a musical group of local residents who have joined together to foster a climate of peace, toured the Soviet Union in 1988, and

WHEREAS, a highlight of the Peace Chorus' 1988 visit was a joint performance with the Vladimir Chamber Choir in the ancient city of Vladimir in a 12th century church, and

WHEREAS, as a result of this successful joint performance the Vladimir Chamber Chorus was formally invited to tour the West Coast of the United States for 20 days, performing in colleges, concert halls and churches, and will stay in people's homes in each community visited, and

WHEREAS, the Choir is scheduled to be in concert on September 8, 1989 in the evening at the St. Mark's Cathedral with "Five Centuries of Russian Choral Music" and a "Friendship Concert" on September 9, 1989 at the Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Seattle, along with engagements in other Washington, Oregon and California communities, and

WHEREAS, the singers come to this country not only as musicians, but as ambassadors of good will, and

WHEREAS, the tour is being sponsored by the Seattle Peace Chorus in cooperation with Alaska Airlines, the Exchange Program of the Seattle Organizing Committee for the 1990 Goodwill Games, Gray Line of Seattle for ground transport, KING-FM radio and The Weekly for promotion, as well as the Greater Seattle Council of Churches;

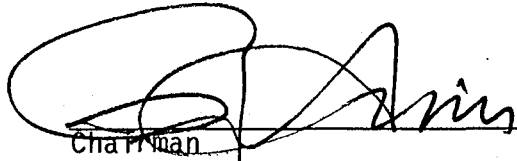
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the council of King County:

The King County council declares September 8, 1989 as Vladimir Chamber Choir day in King County, welcomes their director and members, and applauds their first successful tour of the northwestern United States that will enable Americans to meet and hear them and to learn more about traditional Russian culture and music.

PASSED this 8th day of September, 19 89.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Chairman

ATTEST:



Clerk of the Council

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