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MOTION NO.

A MOTION requesting the county executive to expand the executive's regional law, safety and justice committee and defining the committee's responsibilities and goals

WHEREAS, the quality of life enjoyed by King County citizens is fundamentally linked to their safety from crime, and;

WHEREAS the security of individuals and communities depends upon the effectiveness of the criminal justice system in helping to prevent crime, and in arresting, prosecuting and incarcerating those guilty of crimes, and;

WHEREAS the criminal justice system in King County is made up of independent jurisdictions, agencies and institutions that face unprecedented challenges in responding to new crime problems such as street gangs which cross city and county boundaries, and;

WHEREAS the entire criminal justice system is faced with new challenges arising from attempts to deal with long-neglected problems including domestic violence and drunken driving, and;

WHEREAS the independent jurisdictions, agencies and institutions of King County could address some of these issues more effectively and efficiently in a more collective manner, and

WHEREAS community and civic groups have called for greater regional cooperation on criminal justice issues, including King County 2000, which is recommending construction of regional justice centers and development of a county-wide criminal history system;

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

A. The King County executive is requested to expand the executive's regional law, safety and justice committee by inviting the participation of the cities of King County and other appropriate institutions, agencies and groups concerned with public safety.

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- B. The goal of the expanded committee will be to provide a continuing forum for collective discussion and action on criminal justice issues affecting the citizens of King County.
- C. By Feb. 1, 1990, the committee shall file with the participating jurisdictions a preliminary report that will:
- l. Identify selected areas where jurisdictions, institutions and agencies might cooperate to serve the public more effectively and efficiently.
- 2. Identify criminal justice needs and problems that might be addressed on a regional basis.
- $\begin{tabular}{ll} $3.$ Identify existing sources of funds for criminal \\ justice needs and problems. \end{tabular}$
- 4. Identify other funding sources that might be pursued to improve public safety in King County.

PASSED THIS 16th day of October, 1989

KING COUNTY COUNCIL

KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chairman

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Council