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PROPOSED NO. 90-207

MOTION NO. **7840**

A MOTION supporting House Bill 2601 which proposes to establish six projects stressing prevention of pregnancy and providing comprehensive services to teen-age parents passed by the Washington House of Representatives on February 8, 1990; requesting State Senate passage.

WHEREAS, the human financial costs of teen-age pregnancy are enormous, and

WHEREAS, about 55% of all Aid to Families with Dependent Children payments are made to women who first became mothers as teen-agers, and

WHEREAS, many teen-age parents were themselves the children of teen-age parents, perpetuating the cycle of poverty, and

WHEREAS, through the Young Family Independence Program, King County has made a commitment to prevent teen-age pregnancies and assist teen-age parents and their children, and

WHEREAS, goals of pregnancy prevention, economic self-sufficiency for teen-age parents and their families, and the creation of healthy families can be met through a comprehensive, well-coordinated approach to services including: prevention, health care, parenting education, child care, counseling, completion of education, occupational skills training, and pre-employment preparation, and

WHEREAS, House Bill 2601 would create six comprehensive community-based projects throughout Washington State for pregnancy prevention and support to young parents and would make a substantial contribution in preventing teen-age pregnancies and in assisting young parents to break out of the cycle of poverty, and

1 WHEREAS, House Bill 2601 would allow each pilot site to
2 formulate a unique local response to address the problem of
3 teen-age pregnancy and the needs of teen-age parents within their
4 own community, and

5 WHEREAS, House Bill 2601 was passed by the Washington State
6 House of Representatives on February 8, 1990 and sent to the
7 Senate;

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

9 The King County Council supports House Bill 2601 and requests
10 members of the Washington State Senate to consider and pass this
11 legislation.

12 PASSED this 12th day of February, 1990.

13 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
14 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

15 Lois North
16 Chair

17 ATTEST:

18 J. Crawford II
19 Clerk of the Council
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