

MOTION NO. 8308

A MOTION authorizing the County Executive to make a grant application for funds in the approximate amount of \$2,693,203 for the period January 1, 1992 to December 31, 1996 to evaluate the effectiveness of of the Seattle Needle Exchange Program.

WHEREAS, the National Institute on Drug Abuse (National Institutes of Health) is authorized to make grants of funds to evaluate outreach/intervention programs for injection drug users, and

WHEREAS, the AIDS epidemic continues to impact King County residents engaging in injection drug use, and

WHEREAS, the Seattle King County Department of Public Health has had a needle exchange program in effect since April, 1989 and is currently piloting a small-scale evaluation of the program, and

WHEREAS, the results of this evaluation will provide important information regarding the effectiveness of needle exchange programs that can be used locally and nationally and may help to prevent the further spread of HIV, and

WHEREAS, this evaluation will provide unique guidance in the development of service and prevention efforts for communicable diseases, drug use, and other public health concerns in a hard to reach population, and

WHEREAS, the council recognizes that the funds secured through an approval of the application by the National Institute of Drug Abuse will support the entire cost of the evaluation:

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

A. The King County executive is hereby authorized to make application for funds in the approximate amount of \$2,693,203 to the National Institute of Drug Abuse to support the evaluation of HIV counseling strategies.

B. The King County executive is hereby authorized to file and execute such contracts as are required by the grantor:

PASSED this 10th day of June, 19 91.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, Washington

Lois North
Chairman

ATTEST:

Gerald A. Peterson
Clerk of the Council

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