

May 19, 1992  
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Introduced by: CYNTHIA SULLIVAN  
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Proposed No.: 92-400

MOTION NO. 8665

A MOTION urging the United States Congress  
to pass the Justice for Wards Cove Workers  
Act.

WHEREAS, in 1974, 2,000 Native Alaskan and Asian American  
cannery workers filed Wards Cove Packing Co. v. Atonio charging  
overt racial discrimination at the Wards Cove cannery including  
segregated jobs, housing and mess halls, and

WHEREAS, over the last 18 years, justice through the legal  
system, including the U.S. Supreme Court, has eluded the  
workers of Wards Cove Packing Company, and

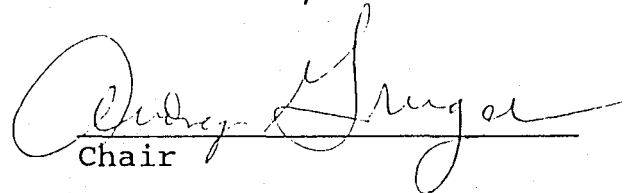
WHEREAS, although the Wards Cove case became a driving  
force behind the passage of the 1991 Civil Rights Act, the  
plaintiffs were exempted from its application, and

WHEREAS, the 1991 Civil Rights Act was meant to protect all  
citizens from unfair and unjust circumstances;


NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Moved by the Council of King County:  
That King County urges the United States Congress to pass  
the Justice for Wards Cove Workers Act (H.R. 3748 and S. 1962).

PASSED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1992.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
Clerk of the Council