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Introduced by: Ms. Sullivan

Proposed No.: 94-108

MOTION NO. 9259

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A MOTION relating to the implementation of the regulatory reform recommendations of the Benson Glen report as they relate to affordable housing.

WHEREAS, the issues of affordable housing is of regional importance to King County residents, and

WHEREAS, in 1989, a group of civic leaders joined together to form the King County Housing Partnership, and

WHEREAS, several county councilmembers belonged to the King County Housing Partnership Board, and

WHEREAS, each had spoken passionately about the need for affordable housing, and

WHEREAS, the partnership sponsored a study and project to explore the forces which were driving up housing costs in King County, and

WHEREAS, the Governor, other state and county elected officials, have toured the Benson Glen project as well as reviewed the study findings, and

WHEREAS, the study concluded that increased housing costs were primarily due to the escalating cost of suitable and qualifying land, and

WHEREAS, the partnership made a presentation of their finding and conclusions to the King County council in 1993, and

WHEREAS, the findings, conclusions and recommendations were favorably accepted by the King County council;

WHEREAS, the Benson Glen Report's recommendations should be one of the elements considered as part of regulatory reform.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:
 2 The recommendations contained in the partnership's report
 3 The Story of Benson Glen should be one basis for regulatory
 4 reform as they relate to the development of affordable housing
 5 in King County and should be used as a guide by the county
 6 executive as he considers regulatory reforms.

7 PASSED this 28th day of March, 1994.

8 Passed by a vote of 11+0.
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KING COUNTY COUNCIL
 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Kent Pullen
 Chair

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Gerald A. Peterson
 Clerk of the Council

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Attachments:

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The Story of Benson Glen Report

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**THE STORY OF BENSON GLEN
A JOURNEY THROUGH THE LAND USE AND
CONSTRUCTION RULES WITH REGULATE
HOUSING IN KING COUNTY**

SEPTEMBER 1993