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MOTION NO. **10002**

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2 A MOTION establishing the office of
3 government access television within the
4 legislative branch of government and
5 establishing the position of manager of
6 government access television.

7 WHEREAS, Ordinance ¹²⁰²²~~12202~~, passed unanimously by the
8 Metropolitan King County council in November, 1995,
9 establishes the operation of the county's government access
10 channel in the legislative branch of government and,

11 WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinance ¹²⁰²²~~12202~~, the Government
12 Access Channel Oversight Committee was established and has
13 recommended operation of the access channel in an office of
14 the legislative branch separate from the council's central
15 and personal staff, and,

16 WHEREAS, The Government Access Channel Oversight
17 Committee, in a effort to keep the station as free from
18 political influence as possible, has recommended hiring the
19 manager of the channel for a three-year term, and,

20 WHEREAS, The government access channel, known as King
21 County Civic Television is now in operation,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT MOVED by the Council of King

County:

A. The office of government access television is created within the legislative branch,

b. The position of manager of the office of government access television is hereby created. The manager of the

office shall be appointed to the position by a majority of

the members of the county council for a term of three years.

A subcommittee of the Government Access Channel Oversight

Committee, consisting of its citizen members, shall review

and interview sufficient applicants for the position and

recommend a group of finalists to the council.

c. The manager of the office may be removed at any time,

with or without cause, by a vote of two-thirds of the members

of the county council. The council may appoint an interim

manager, for a period not to exceed six months, pending the

appointment of a new manager whenever the term of office has

expired or the office otherwise becomes vacant. The

council's employment committee may take disciplinary action

regarding the manager, consistent with council employment

practices and policies. The chair of the council shall

provide reasonable notification to the

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Government Access Channel Oversight Committee of any such

disciplinary action. The manager shall be appointed solely

with regard to his or her qualifications and experience to

manage a government access television channel. The manager

shall hold no other appointive or elective public office or

position during the term of employment as manager.

PASSED this 25th day of November, 1996

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

James H. Payne
Chair

ATTEST:

Frank G. Johnson
Clerk of the Council

Attachments:

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Passed by a vote of 13-0.

