

## **KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

## Signature Report

October 28, 2002

## **Motion 11605**

**Proposed No.** 2002-0361.2 Sponsors Lambert and McKenna 1 A MOTION supporting coordination and compliance with 2 current federal policy and initiatives towards establishment 3 of relationships with the people of Cuba. 4 5 WHEREAS, it is solely within the purview of the federal government to set 6 7 foreign policy and determine if, when and how official government relationships with 8 other nations are to be established and maintained; and 9 WHEREAS, efforts of local government to unilaterally establish relationships 10 may have the effect of interfering with the federal government in any of its efforts to 11 establish appropriate relationships with other nations; and 12 WHEREAS, the federal administration recently announced a new initiative on Cuba that include four measures designed to reach out to the Cuban people; and 13 WHEREAS, the four measures include: 14 15 Facilitating humanitarian assistance to the Cuban people by American religious or other nongovernmental organizations; 16

| 17 | Providing direct assistance to the Cuban people through these religious or other          |
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| 18 | nongovernmental organizations;  |
| 19 | Calling for the resumption of direct mail service to and from Cuba; and                   |
| 20 | Establishing scholarships in the United States for Cuban students and                     |
| 21 | professionals involved in building civil institutions and for family members of political |
| 22 | prisoners;  |
| 23 | NOW, THERFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:                                 |
| 24 | The King County council supports and will coordinate with federal policy and              |

25 initiatives relating to the council's establishment of relationships with Cuba's government.

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Motion 11605 was introduced on 8/19/2002 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 10/28/2002, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Pullen, Ms. Hague, Mr. Irons and Ms. Patterson

No: 6 - Ms. Sullivan, Ms. Edmonds, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Pelz, Mr. Constantine and Mr. Gossett

Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

Attachments None