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MOTION NO. 4215

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2 A MOTION declaring the week of May 13 through
3 May 20 as 1979 King County Bicycle Week, and
4 requesting the King County Executive to promote
5 its awareness and activities.

6 WHEREAS, increasing concern for energy conservation, health and environ-
7 mental amenities has contributed to the rediscovery of the bicycle for commut-
8 ing purposes, fun, recreation, individual sport and family activities, and

9 WHEREAS, shortages and greatly increased prices for gasoline and oil
10 products have cut deeply into the personal budgets of most of our citizens, and

11 WHEREAS, the President of the United States has designated the week of
12 May 13 through May 20 as National Transportation Week, and

13 WHEREAS, the bicycle is a viable and legitimate means of transportation,
14 and

15 WHEREAS, the King County Council has adopted energy conservation policies
16 as part of the County's Comprehensive Plan in 1978, which specifically encour-
17 ages the provision of alternative modes of transportation by encouraging
18 bicycle and pedestrian access to work, school, shopping and other destinations,
19 and

20 WHEREAS, for the past decade the King County Council has demonstrated
21 its intent to provide for the bicycling public by the adoption of the Urban
22 Trails Plan of 1971, the General Bicycle Plan in 1976, and Motion No. 3458
23 encouraging the establishment of a coordinator for nonmotorized travel in 1978,
24 and

25 WHEREAS, the King County Council, in 1978, allocated funds through the
26 King County Parks Division to hire a Recreation Specialist, whose major job
27 will be to develop competitive programs in conjunction with the Washington
28 State Bicycle Association and instructional and safety programs for bicyclists,
29 and

30 WHEREAS, the King County Council is working to revise the King County
31 Comprehensive Plan in 1979 to include an integrated and balanced emphasis on
32 nonmotorized and motorized transportation facilities and opportunities, and

33 WHEREAS, the bicycle program should include the cooperative efforts of
the City of Seattle, King County, the Puget Sound Council of Government's

1 Subregional Committee and the Washington State Transportation Committee, work-
2 ing together to improve the quality of life in King County through the improve-
3 ment of bicycling facilities, and

4 WHEREAS, the King County Council, King County Parks Division, King
5 County Department of Public Works and other County agencies are constantly
6 striving to improve a network of bicycle routes, (see attachment entitled:
7 "Current Status Report-Bicycle Facilities in King County"), and

8 WHEREAS, bicycle clubs and other enthusiasts have devoted much time,
9 effort and ingenuity in planning the activities of 1979 King County Bicycle
10 Week to make in interesting, valuable, educational and enjoyable, as shown
11 by attachments entitled: "Puget Sound Bicycle Week" and "Fact Sheet - Seventh
12 Annual Bicycle Week".

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

14 The week of May 13, 1979 through May 20, 1979 is hereby declared 1979
15 King County Bicycle Week. The King County Executive is requested to work with
16 other public jurisdictions and public and private organizations to recognize
17 and promote the awareness and activities of 1979 King County Bicycle Week.

18 PASSED this 7th day of May, 1979.

19 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
20 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

21 *Ruby Chow*
22 Chairman

23 ATTEST:

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25 *Dorothy M. Owens* DEPUTY
26 Clerk of the Council