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MOTION No. _____

A MOTION relating to the designation of a Center for the Evaluation of Emergency Medical Services within the Emergency Medical Services Division, Seattle-King County Department of Public Health.

WHEREAS, the responsibilities of the emergency medical services division as provided for in the King County Code, Chapter 8.64 include improving the quality and quantity of emergency medical services in King County, analyzing emergency medical service needs, and providing planning for emergency medical services, and

WHEREAS, since 1976, King County has received grant funding to support emergency medical services evaluation projects that have measurably improved the health of King County citizens, and helped prevent death and disability due to medical emergencies, and

WHEREAS, these evaluation projects have resulted in nationally recognized, life-saving programs such as training emergency medical technicians in defibrillation and training emergency dispatchers to give telephone instructions in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and

WHEREAS, these projects provide a significant source of funds for evaluating and improving emergency medical service thus decreasing the cost to the county for emergency medical service program evaluation activities, and ensuring that EMS services in King County will be maintained at an excellent level, and

WHEREAS, the King County council acknowledges the substantial contribution these projects have made to the development of emergency medical services in King County, and desires to express its continuing support of these efforts, and

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WHEREAS, the designation of a center for the evaluation of emergency medical services will enable King County to compete more successfully for funding from outside sources to support evaluation activities;

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

A. A center for the evaluation of emergency medical services be designated within the King County emergency medical services division for the purpose of continuing the effective evaluation and development of EMS programs.

B. The activities of the center for the evaluation of emergency medical services be primarily supported by grant funding.

C. It is the intent of the King County Council that new emergency medical service programs developed by the center be provided by local agencies.

PASSED this ______ day of ______, 1986.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:

Council