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INTRODUCED BY Sullivan

PROPOSED NO. 88 - 681

MOTION NO. 7303

A MOTION establishing October 1 through
October 7 as Woodsmoke Awareness Week
throughout King County.

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WHEREAS, woodsmoke has been shown to be a serious environmental problem with very real health implications to the public, and

WHEREAS, leading physicians report that there is no question that woodsmoke is causing increases in respiratory illness in Washington State, and

WHEREAS, the increase in respiratory illness is the manifestation of just the acute effects of woodsmoke, and there is potentially more serious damage due to chronic exposure to the toxins and carcinogens in woodsmoke, and

WHEREAS, recent research has pointed to the fact that there are higher concentrations of these toxins and carcinogens in some residential areas of King County than industrial areas, and

WHEREAS, it is recognized and established that to combat the extensive use of solid fuel burning devices and to control, reduce and prevent air pollution caused by wood stove emissions in order to protect public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of King County, it is necessary to educate citizens concerning the use of such solid fuel burning devices, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the public interest that King County educate its citizens about existing and future regulations for the installation and operating of solid fuel burning devices, and

WHEREAS, the King County council desires to support the terms and provisions of the Washington Clean Air Act, R.C.W. Chapter 70.94, by educating the citizens of King County in regard to the terms and provisions of the Washington Clean Air Act, and

1 WHEREAS, the King County council desires to support and assist
2 all efforts of the Puget Sound Air Pollution Control Agency in
3 regulating solid fuel burning devices;

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

5 The first week of October is established as Woodsmoke
6 Awareness Week as a step in educating the citizens of King County
7 on this important issue.

8 PASSED this 12th day of September, 19 88.

9 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
10 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

11 Gary Grant
12 Chair

13 ATTEST:

14 Dorothy M. Owens
15 Clerk of the Council

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