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4 MOTION NO. 7497

5 A MOTION amending the King County
6 legislative agenda, urging the state
7 legislature to pass legislation
8 implementing economic diversification
9 strategies.

10 WHEREAS, per capita income from federal department of defense
11 and department of energy spending in Washington state is among the
12 highest in the country, totaling approximately \$6 billion
13 annually, and accounting for approximately one job in eleven in
14 the state, and

15 WHEREAS, due to federal budget deficits, significant increases
16 in the military budget in recent years are unlikely to be
17 sustained, and

18 WHEREAS, the state has experienced severe unemployment and
19 business losses during prior federal defense spending cuts, such
20 as the Boeing Bust in the early 1970s and the recent job losses at
21 the Lockheed shipyards, and

22 WHEREAS, the Washington state legislature appropriated \$40,000
23 in 1988 to analyze the likely economic impact of military spending
24 cuts on local communities and to recommend strategies to prepare
25 for diversification into civilian industries, and

26 WHEREAS, King County appropriated \$40,000 for 1989 to identify
27 industries and job categories at risk for spending cuts and to
28 involve the community in planning for diversification, and

29 WHEREAS, skilled labor and productive businesses throughout
30 Washington state and King County would benefit from retraining and
31 business assistance programs designed to assist with
32 diversification, and

33 WHEREAS, the economic vitality of the community is the concern
of all its citizens, including business, labor, government,
education and community groups;

1 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:
 2 King County council urges the Washington state legislature to
 3 continue its work in planning for diversification in preparation
 4 for likely military budget cuts.

5 A. The state legislature is urged to implement
 6 diversification strategies so that programs will be in place to
 7 provide assistance when needed.

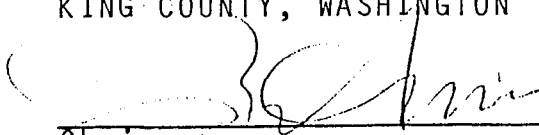
8 B. The state legislature is urged to involve a broad range of
 9 the community in planning and implementing diversification
 10 strategies, including business, labor, state and local government,
 11 education, church, peace and other community groups.

12 C. The King County intergovernmental relations staff is
 13 directed to work for passage of legislation implementing economic
 14 diversification strategies.

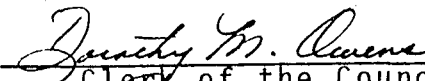
15 D. The King County legislative agenda is amended to include
 16 economic diversification legislation as a county priority.

17 PASSED this 3rd day of April, 1989.

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 20 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
 21 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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 24 Chairman

25 ATTEST:

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 28 Clerk of the Council
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