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INTRODUCED BY: Lois North

PROPOSED NO: 89 - 276

MOTION NO. 7499

A MOTION commemorating May 1, 1989 as the 20th anniversary of the beginning of the King County Home Rule Charter, and recognizing past elected county officials who had a role in securing home rule and the benefits of self government for King County.

WHEREAS, in 1948 the people of the state of Washington enacted Amendment 21 to the State Constitution to permit county home rule, and

WHEREAS, King County elected freeholders in 1951 and submitted a county manager/council home rule charter to the voters in 1952 that failed to receive the majority of the votes cast, and

WHEREAS, voters again elected a 15-member board of freeholders in 1967, who prepared and successfully submitted an executive/council home rule charter to the voters of King County, and

WHEREAS, through the past 20 years the charter has set a goal of providing a more just and orderly county government, establishing separate legislative and executive branches, insuring responsibility and accountability, enabling effective citizen participation, preserving a healthy environment, and securing the benefits of home rule, and

WHEREAS, the charter began as an effort at reforming King County government, and

WHEREAS, through the revisions recommended by three charter review commissions and ten adopted charter amendments, the spirit of home rule and the charter content continues to adapt to changing conditions and new challenges;

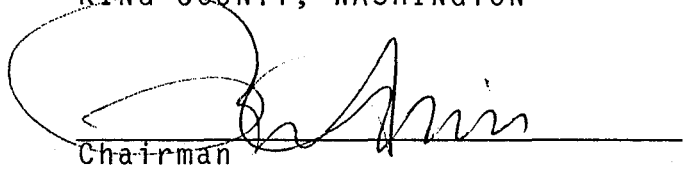
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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED by the Council of King County:

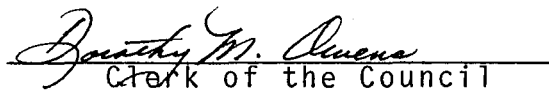
2 The King County council honors the past elected county  
3 officials for their dedication in working for the public  
4 interest and the protection of the quality of life for past,  
5 present and future generations who reside in King County.

6 PASSED this 3rd day of April, 1989.

8 KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
9 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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15 Clerk of the Council

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