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A MOTION calling for a Professional Sports Summit; requesting the Governor to convene a summit of state, county, and city officials to develop alternatives to retain professional sports in the Seattle-King County region.

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WHEREAS, professional sports franchises provide significant economic, recreational, and social benefits to the state of Washington, and

WHEREAS, the outcome of the extremely close vote at the September 19, 1995 primary election on a new baseball stadium is still in doubt, and

WHEREAS, the Seattle Mariners have indicated that they presently do not support another public vote on the proposal to fund a new stadium with the use of the special sales and use tax, and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the citizens of the state of Washington to ensure that professional sports franchises continue to operate in our state;

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

A. The Governor of the State of Washington is requested to convene immediately a Professional Sports Summit, to include representatives of professional sports franchises, officials of the state, the city of Seattle, and King County

1 and other persons with expertise or authority on the subject
 2 for the purpose of developing alternative proposals to retain
 3 professional sports in the state of Washington.

4 B. Alternatives which should be explored include but
 5 are not limited to calling a special session of the state
 6 legislature to consider alternative funding methods including
 7 a special sports lottery and local and state fund sources,
 8 interlocal agreements among affected jurisdictions, and ways
 9 to reduce or limit mitigation and other development costs for
 10 new sports facilities.

11 PASSED by a vote of 9 to 0 this 25th day of

12 September, 1995.

13 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
 14 KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

15 Kent Pullen
 16 Chair

17 ATTEST:

18 Gerald A. Peltun
 19 Clerk of the Council

20 Attachments:

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