



# KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Signature Report

May 24, 2006

### Motion 12293

**Proposed No.** 2006-0203.2

**Sponsors** Constantine, Gossett, Ferguson,  
Phillips, Patterson and von  
Reichbauer

1           A MOTION establishing King County's support of and  
2           advocacy for comprehensive and effective immigration  
3           reform that respects established civil rights, ensures due  
4           process of law for immigrants, including freedom from  
5           racial profiling and enforcement that is neither arbitrary or  
6           selective, reunites and protects families, protects workers  
7           regardless of immigration status, offers a pathway to  
8           citizenship for the millions of undocumented immigrants in  
9           this nation and therefore leads to the strengthening of our  
10          borders and national security, as a priority for action in the  
11          2006 (FY 2007) Federal Agenda - Legislative Interests for  
12          King County.

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15           WHEREAS, the metropolitan King County council and the King County  
16          executive recognize that the United States is truly a nation of immigrants and, as such,  
17          must recognize that our nation's wealth and prosperity was built in significant part by the

18 tireless dedication of the millions of immigrants who have made the United States of  
19 America their home, and

20 WHEREAS, comprehensive and effective immigration reform will give our  
21 undocumented neighbors who have been living and working in King County a lawful and  
22 orderly path to permanent legal status and citizenship, while recognizing their established  
23 civil rights and need for protections from exploitation for all workers in King County  
24 and the United States, and

25 WHEREAS, comprehensive and effective immigration reform will restore and  
26 protect immigrants' rights to due process of law, provide freedom from racial profiling  
27 and ensure consistent enforcement that is not arbitrary nor selective, and

28 WHEREAS, comprehensive and effective immigration reform will respect the  
29 established civil rights of all of our county's residents and will eliminate the backlog in  
30 family immigration, helping in the reunification of families in King County and our  
31 nation, and will create a lawful and orderly process for people who want to come to our  
32 country and work or become naturalized citizens, and

33 WHEREAS, King County is home to thousands of both documented and  
34 undocumented immigrants and their families who work determinedly on behalf of our  
35 county and state, paying taxes, enriching our economy and enhancing our culture, helping  
36 ensure that Washingtonians continue to live in one of the most prosperous and beautiful  
37 regions of this great nation, and

38 WHEREAS, King County agrees that providing comprehensive and effective  
39 immigration reform will provide a clear and direct path to the American dream and  
40 therefore leads to the strengthening of our borders and the security of our nation, and

41           WHEREAS, by ensuring that all of our county's immigrants are provided a lawful  
42 and orderly path to citizenship and that all residents' established civil rights are  
43 guaranteed, we will allow King County to continue to grow as one of our nation's most  
44 prosperous counties, and

45           WHEREAS, nothing in this legislation supports providing the right to vote for  
46 non-citizens, and

47           WHEREAS, the King County council and the King County executive will  
48 continue to monitor congressional developments and immigration reform legislation and  
49 ask our delegation to support comprehensive and effective immigration reform;

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

51           The King County council hereby adds the attached language on immigration  
52 reform legislation to the 2006 (FY 2007) Federal Agenda - Legislative Interests for King  
53 County. The King County council and the King County executive will strongly advocate

54 to our congressional and senate delegations for legislation that offers comprehensive and  
55 effective immigration reform.  
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Motion 12293 was introduced on 5/1/2006 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 5/22/2006, by the following vote:

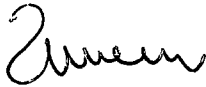
Yes: 5 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Patterson and Mr. Constantine  
No: 2 - Mr. von Reichbauer and Ms. Hague  
Excused: 2 - Ms. Lambert and Mr. Dunn

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Phillips, Chair

ATTEST:



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Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

**Attachments**      A. Amendment to 2006 (FY2007) Federal Agenda - Legislative Interests dated 5-22-06

**Amendment to 2006 (FY2007) Federal Agenda – Legislative Interests**

Insert:

**Immigration Reform**

King County urges Congress to enact comprehensive and effective immigration reform that reunites and protects families, respects established civil rights, protects workers from exploitation regardless of immigration status, offers a pathway to citizenship for the millions of undocumented immigrants and therefore leads to the strengthening of our borders and the security of our nation.