



**KING COUNTY AND PIERCE COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**January 6, 2017**

**Joint Motion and Resolution**

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JR2017-1

**Proposed No. 2017-0012.1**

**Sponsors Dunn**

1           A JOINT MOTION AND RESOLUTION of the  
2           Metropolitan King County Council and the Pierce County  
3           Council making an appointment to fill the vacancy in the  
4           position of state senator for the 31st legislative district.

5           WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the position of state senator for the 31st  
6           legislative district due to the resignation of Senator Pam Roach following Senator  
7           Roach's election to the Pierce county council, and

8           WHEREAS, the 31st legislative district is a multicounty legislative district,  
9           including part of King County and part of Pierce county, and

10          WHEREAS, Article II, Section 15 of the Washington state constitution provides  
11          that in the event of a vacancy occurring in a multicounty legislative district the vacancy  
12          shall be filled by joint action of the legislative authorities of the respective counties from  
13          a list of three candidates nominated by the state central committee of the same political  
14          party as the legislator whose office is vacated, and

15          WHEREAS, the candidates must reside in the 31st legislative district and be of  
16          the same political party as the legislator whose office is vacated, and


17          WHEREAS, the Washington State Republican Central Committee has submitted  
18          the names of three constitutionally qualified candidates to fill the vacancy created by  
19          Senator Roach's resignation;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT MOVED AND RESOLVED by the Councils of  
21 King and Pierce County:

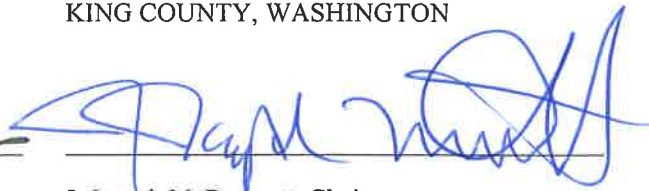
22 A. Phil Fortunato, one of the three nominees, is hereby appointed to the position  
23 of state senator for the 31st legislative district in the Washington state senate and  
24 continuing until a successor is elected at the next general election, and has qualified.

25 B. The clerks of the councils ~~of the~~ shall provide a copy of this joint motion and  
26 resolution to the clerk of the Washington state Senate, the governor of the state of  
27 Washington and the chair of the Washington State Republican Central Committee.

PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL  
PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Doug Richardson, Chair


KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
J. Joseph McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:

  
Linda Medley, Clerk

ATTEST:

  
Melani Pedroza, Acting Clerk of the Council

**Attachments:** None

Voting on Proposed Joint Motion and Resolution 2017-0012, as amended, it passed by a vote of 66-60, with Councilmembers Balducci, Dembowski, Gossett, Kohl-Welles, Ladenburg, McDermott, Talbert and Upthegrove voting no.