

ORDINANCE NO. 1946

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to rodent control,
2 requiring preventive measures and pre-
scribing penalties.

3 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

4 SECTION 1. All premises shall, at all times, be kept free from
5 rodents. The Director of the Seattle-King County Health Department,
6 or his appointed representative, shall be permitted access to such
7 premises for the purpose of ascertaining the presence of rodents. The
8 director may enter such premises at reasonable times to inspect the
9 same; provided that (i) if the premises is occupied, the director shall
10 first present proper credentials and demand entry; and (ii) if the
11 premises is unoccupied the director shall first make a reasonable effort
12 to locate the owner or other person (s) having charge or control of the
13 premises and demand entry.

14 No person shall fail or neglect, after proper demand, to admit the
15 director or interfere with the director in the performance of his duty.

16 SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for the owner or occupant of any
17 premises to fail to reconstruct or repair such premises including
18 residences, for the purpose of preventing rats, mice or other rodents
19 from gaining entrance thereto. It shall be unlawful for the owner of
20 any food or food products, goods, wares or merchandise in such premises
21 to fail to adequately protect the same to prevent rodents from gaining
22 access to or coming in contact therewith.

23 If rodents are found to be present, the owner or occupant of the
24 premises shall apply such reasonable measures for the eradication as
25 approved by the director.
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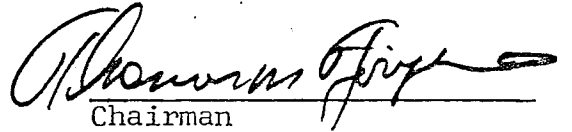
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SECTION 3. Any violation of this ordinance is punishable, upon conviction, by a fine not exceeding two-hundred and fifty dollars or by confinement in the county jail for a period not exceeding ninety days or both.

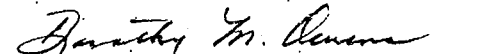
INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 28th day of January, 1974.

PASSED this 18th day of March, 1974.

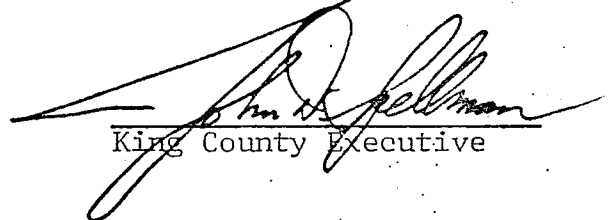
KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Chairman

ATTEST:


Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 27th day of March, 1974.


King County Executive