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Title: A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the report on parity in staffing and budgets between the

prosecuting attorney's office and the department of public defense in accordance with the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget, Ordinance 18835, Section 19, Proviso P5, providing background information on King

County's statutory requirements for parity, as well as an overview and comparison of each

department's budget, functions, areas of work, staffing structure and staffing levels for the courts in

which both departments practice.

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between the Prosecuting Attorney's Office and the Department of Public Defense Proviso Response.

5. 2019-0313 SR DPD and PAO Parity Report.pdf, 6. 9-10-19 LJ MeetingHandout.pdf, 7.

2019_0313_ATT3_PAO_Response.pdf, 8. 2019_0313_ATT4_DPD Response.pdf, 9. Brennan Center

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A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the report on parity in staffing and budgets between the prosecuting attorney's office and the department of public defense in accordance with the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget, Ordinance 18835, Section 19, Proviso P5, providing background information on King County's statutory requirements for parity, as well as an overview and comparison of each department's budget, functions, areas of work, staffing structure and staffing levels for the courts in which both departments practice.

WHEREAS, the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget, Ordinance 18835, Section 19, Proviso P5, requires the

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executive to transmit a report on parity between the prosecuting attorney's office and the department of public defense, and

WHEREAS, the report includes the following:

- 1. A definition of "parity," which includes caseloads;
- 2. A review of the extent to which there is parity in the staffing and budgets between the prosecuting attorney's office and the department of public defense; and
- 3. An examination of staffing levels for each court and provides budget options for achieving parity between the two agencies, and

WHEREAS, the executive is further required to submit a motion that acknowledges receipt of the report by July 8, 2019;

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

The receipt of the report on the analysis of parity in staffing and budgets between the prosecuting attorney's office and the department of public defense for King County Proviso Response, which is Attachment A to this motion, in accordance with the 2019-

2020 Biennial Budget, Ordinance 18835, Section 19, Proviso P5, is hereby acknowledged.