

King County

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A MOTION affirming the county's support for a good faith government-to-government relationship with the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe that will facilitate communication and cooperation.

WHEREAS, King County is a first class home-rule charter county that operates pursuant to the Constitution of the state of Washington, and

WHEREAS, the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe is a federally recognized sovereign Indian tribe, which holds certain guaranteed rights under the Treaty of Point Elliott and the Treaty of Medicine Creek, and

WHEREAS, the boundaries of the Muckleshoot Indian Reservation includes property located within King County, and

WHEREAS, King County and the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe both have interests in preserving the public health, safety and welfare, economic welfare and resource management of their residents and members, and

WHEREAS, the success of King County and the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe in achieving their respective responsibilities, goals and interests may be significantly affected by the actions of the other, and

WHEREAS, representatives from the executive branch of King County and the Muckleshoot Indian

Tribe previously have agreed to guidelines for considering issues of mutual concern, and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the King County council as the policy making body for King County affirm the county's support for its relationship with the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe and for these guidelines;

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

The metropolitan King County council affirms King County's support for a good faith government-to-

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government relationship with the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe that will facilitate communication and cooperation as outlined in Attachment A to this motion. The council chair and the county executive are requested to sign the guidelines together

with the representatives of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe in order to reaffirm the county's and the tribe's continuing commitment to these important principles.