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COUNCIL BILL No.

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The City of Seattle--Legislative Department

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

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Committee on _____

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Committee Chair

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WHEREAS, in March of 1985, the Mayor's Lesbian/Gay Task Force was created to advise the Mayor on issues of importance to the lesbian and gay community, to respond to issues of immediate concern within those communities, and to ensure that City departments fairly and equitably respond to the concerns of lesbians and gays individually and as a protected class under City Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, the task force has made numerous outstanding accomplishments which include: creating the AIDS Funding Coalition; assisting in the creation of People of Color Against AIDS Network (POCAAN); assisting in the creation of the Lavender Panthers; providing training to several City departments and community organizations; playing a leadership role in the successful passage of the new Family Leave Ordinance; and publishing a lesbian and gay guide for the media; and

WHEREAS, while lesbians and gays have made progress in the pursuit of important civil rights, lesbians and gays still suffer discrimination in housing, employment, insurance, health care, and in society at large. Further, lesbians and gays are still subject to violent attacks, verbal harassment and stigmatization which fosters the denial of civil rights and mistreatment of all sorts; and

WHEREAS, the task force has begun to help address these problems by such programs as: a volunteer advocacy program to assist victims of crime and discrimination; a training program to further educate City departments, social service providers and the public about the issues faced by lesbians and gays; and several projects which address the needs of lesbians and gay youth and elders; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for ongoing and consistent attention to these and other concerns by a government entity authorized and supported by the Seattle City Council; NOW, THEREFORE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 3.14.900 SMC is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.14.900 Office established -- Purpose. There shall be established in the Executive Department, an Office for Women's Rights to study and act to identify and relieve the problems of women's rights; to recommend policies to all departments and divisions of City government in matters affecting women's rights; to recommend legislation for the implementation of such programs and policies; and to provide staff support for the Seattle Women's Commission and to the Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays. The Office for Women's Rights shall address issues of concern to sexual minorities.

Section 2. Section 3.14.910 SMC is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.14.910 Director -- Appointment. There shall be a Director of the Office for Women's Rights who shall be appointed by the Mayor, who may, but is not required, to make such appointment from among those persons, not less than four (4) ~~three (3)~~ in number, recommended for appointment by the Seattle Women's Commission and the Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays. Such appointment shall be subject to confirmation by a majority vote of all members of the City Council. The Director of the Office for Women's Rights shall not be included in the classified civil service.

The Director of the Office for Women's Rights shall be the head of and responsible for the administration of the office and in connection with such administration shall have duties and responsibilities including but not limited to the following:

- A. Undertake all activities consistent with the purpose of the Office for Women's Rights;
- B. For the governance and control of the Office for Women's Rights;
- C. Appoint, remove, supervise, and control officers and employees in the Office for Women's Rights;
- D. Provide staff support for the Seattle Women's Commission, and the Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays, and consult with and report regularly to the Seattle Women's Commission and the Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays on the workings of the Office for Women's Rights, submit quarterly written reports to the Commissions on the activities of the office, and attend either in person or by designated representative, all regular meetings of the Seattle Women's Commission and the Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays;
- E. Administer all ordinances pertaining to the Office for Women's Rights;
- F. With the advice of Seattle Women's Commission and Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays manage the preparation of the proposed annual budget of the Office for Women's Rights, and authorize necessary expenditures, and supervise the maintenance of adequate accounting system;
- G. Develop programs serving women and sexual minorities and seek additional funding sources;
- H. Make periodic reports and recommendations to the Mayor and City Council concerning the operations of the Seattle Women's Commission, the Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays, and the Office for Women's Rights;
- I. Exercise such other and further powers and duties as shall be prescribed by ordinance.

1 Section 3. Section 3.14.940 SMC is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 3.14.940 Commissions -- Organizations -- Adoption of rules. The
3 Seattle Women's Commission and the Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays
4 shall each organize itself and shall adopt such rules and administrative
5 procedures for its own governance consistent with City Charter and
6 ordinances, as are necessary for its functions and responsibilities.

7 Section 4. There is hereby added to Chapter 3.14 SMC a new section to
8 be numbered, titled, and to read as follows:

9 3.14.960 Seattle Commission for Lesbians and Gays -- Establishing --
10 Membership. There is established a Seattle Commission for Lesbians and
11 Gays to be composed of fifteen (15) members appointed from among those per-
12 sons who are conscious of the discrimination against and oppression of les-
13 bians and gays in this society, and who are working to eliminate these
14 injustices; provided, that the present members of the Mayor's Lesbian/Gay
15 Task Force are appointed and confirmed to the Seattle Commission for
16 Lesbians and Gay Men established in this section.

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- 17 A. Seven (7) members shall be appointed by the Mayor, seven (7) mem-
18 bers shall be appointed by the City Council and one (1) member
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21 gender balance and reflect the diversity of the lesbian and gay
22 community. The nominating body shall provide public notice for a
23 vacant position(s).
- 24 B. All appointments shall be subject to confirmation by a majority
25 vote of the City Council. Each member appointed pursuant to the
26 authority of this section shall serve for a term of three (3)
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two consecutive three-year terms. Any vacancy shall be filled for
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Section 5. There is hereby added to Chapter 3.14 SMC a new section to be numbered, titled as follows:

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- C. As appropriate, recommend policies to all departments and offices of the City in matters affecting gay and lesbian concerns, and recommend legislation for the implementation of such policies.
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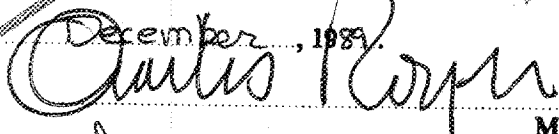
(To be used for all Ordinances except Emergency.)

Section 6.... This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

Passed by the City Council the 11th day of December, 1989,
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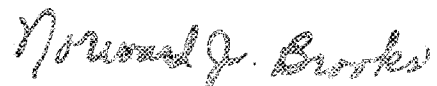

President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 18th day of December, 1989.


Mayor.

Filed by me this 18th day of December, 1989.

Attest:


Norwood J. Brooks

City Comptroller and City Clerk.

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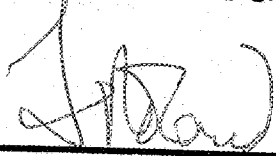
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President of the City Council.
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CHARLES ROYER,
Mayor.

Filed by me this 18th day of December, 1989.
Attest: NORWARD J. BROOKS,
City Comptroller and City Clerk.
(Seal) By THERESA DUNBAR,
Deputy Clerk.

Publication ordered by NORWARD J. BROOKS, Comptroller and City Clerk.
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