A RESOLUTION stating goals of the 1985 State Legislative Request Program of the City of Seattle.

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RESOLUTION -27211

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WHEREAS, the fundamental purpose of city government is to provide the highest level of service to its citizens in the most efficient and cost-effective manner possible; and

WHEREAS, Seattle elected officials are acutely aware of the need for adequate care of its streets, bridges, parks, and public build-

WHEREAS, The City of Seattle strongly believes that local government can be the most effective level of government if given the opportunity and should be empowered to make those decisions that are predominantly local in nature; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE MAYOR

That achievement of the following goals through passage of laws, or amendments to laws shall be given the highest priority by Seattle during the 1985 Session of the Washington State Legislature.

CATEGORY I: HIGH PRIORITY ISSUES: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

- Amend Article VIII, Sections 5 and 7 of the Washington State Constitution to redefine "public purpose" so that economic development and job creation opportunities can be enhanced in this state.
- Amend Article VII, Section 1, of the Washington State Constitution to permit the use of Community Redevelopment Financing (Tax Increment Financing).
- Seek to revise the 1975 statute which limits to \$10,000 the amount of any public works project that can be done by first-class cities without submitting the project to public bid for private contractors.
- Seek to change distributions of sales tax revenues to cities and counties from bi-monthly to monthly.

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- Seek the adoption of a State bond issue to create a challenge grant program for local aquariums and zoos.
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- Support an amendment adding sex and sexual orientation to the protected classes covered by the state laws against discrimination, public accommodation section.

CATEGORY II: HIGH PRIORITY STATE BIENNIAL BUDGET ISSUES

- Seek a \$5 million appropriation for the Department of Agriculture to purchase surplus farm commodities from Washington State farmers and seafood from Washington State fishermen or fish processors to be distributed to local food banks.
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CATEGORY III: CITY OF SEATTLE PRIORITY ENDORSEMENTS

- Legislation to require establishment of a comprehensive program for the disclosure of information about hazardous substances in the work place and community and to provide a procedure to permit citizens to obtain information, identifying the substance, its proper handling, use and storage.
- Support legislation establishing a demonstration project to shelter juvenile prostitutes while providing them with alternative training and other support services.
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- o Support the Association of Washington Cities Legislative Program.
- BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE:

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Your City, Seattle



Memorandum	Date November 27, 1984

Subject Amendments made in 11-26-84 Council meeting to Res. 27211, State Legislative Request Program.

CSS 25, 3 (Rev. 4/75)

I have amended Res. 27211 in accordance with the action of the Full Council yesterday as follows:

(by JW)

Change the category of the following item from "Category III: City of Seattle Priority Endorsements" to Category I: High Priority Issues: Mayor and City Council.

Support an amendment adding sex and sexual orientation to the protected classes covered by the State laws against discrimination, public accommodation section.

Note: I moved the adopted amendatory language from page three to page two. As a result, a new page two was typed to incorporate the additional language (line 13, new page two) and a new page three was typed to close the gap of space left by the omission of the same language. (line 7, new page three)

I have attached directly behind the resolution the stricken pages, Jeanette William's memo to you regarding the proposed amendment, and a copy of this memo so that a record of the full Council action regarding the resolution is left in tact.

Please review the final copy of the resolution and return it to me with any comments you may have. When the final copy meets with your approval I will hand deliver it to the mayor's office.

cc: All Councilmembers

Seattle City Council

November 20, 1984

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Norman B. Rice President of the City Council 625-2436

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Sam Smith Chair Housing, Recreation & Human Services Committee 625-2455

Jim Street Chair Land Use Committee 625-2438

Jeanette Williams Chair City Operations Committee 625-2453 Honorable Norm Rice President Seattle City Council

Dear Norm:

Earlier this year a number of organizations and individuals expressed concern over administrative rules adopted in March by the Human Rights Department.

The Ad Hoc Committee for Fair Employment and Open Housing which represents several of those groups, recommended that the City Council enact legislation which would require the Human Rights Department to modify its rules. The Ad Hoc Committee believed that the rules were inconsistent with the intent of the City Council when the Fair Employment and Open Housing Ordinances were passed.

Because of the complexity of the issues raised, I appointed a panel of attorneys and representatives of civil rights organizations to review the issues for the purpose of developing recommendations to the City Council. The panel is chaired by Arval Morris, a distinguished professor of Constitutional Law at the University of Washington.

The panel has met every Friday for two months. I anticipate that its work will be completed in December and its recommendations and report will be forwarded to the City Council.

Although the work is not completed, the panel has voted to include among its recommendations that the City Council include in its State Legislative Request Program the following items:

- Propose and support legislation to allow State courts to have jurisdiction over violation of City civil rights ordinance;
- Propose and support legislation to add sexual orientation to the protected classes covered by the State laws against discrimination;
- Propose and support legislation to add political ideology to the protected classes covered by the State laws against discrimination.

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The Council has not had the opportunity to discuss the proposals relating to the State court jurisdiction legislation or to the political ideology proposal. For that reason, I do not suggest that the Council include those items in the 1985 State Legislative Request Program. Those issues should be discussed along with the other recommendations when the work of the panel is completed.

However, the Council has discussed and has included in its Legislative Request Program the following item:

 Support an amendment adding sex and sexual orientation to the protected classes covered by the State laws against discrimination, public accommodation section.

Last year this item came relatively closer than in previous years to passage. I believe that with greater effort on the part of the City this legislation may be successful in Olympia in 1985. To give greater emphasis, I recommend that the City Council should change the category of this item from "Category III: City of Seattle Priority Endorsements" to Category I: High Priority Issues: Mayor and City Council.

The issue of civil rights should at least share the same level of priority as funding for the aquarium and zoo and "Put or Pay" contracts. By giving this legislation a category I priority, we will be focussing our efforts more fully on this important issue which has had so many false starts in the State legislature.

I would be happy to discuss this with you.

Sincerely,

Deanette Williams, Chair City Operations Committee

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cc: All Councilmembers

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