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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF ______, WASHINGTON ENDORSING THE REGIONAL USE OF
THE SEQUENTAL INTERCEPT MODEL AND STATE FUNDING FOR REGIONAL
RESOURCE NETWORKS TO ADDRESS THE INDIVIDUAL AND COMMUNITY
IMPACTS OF UNTREATED BEHAVORIAL HEALTH ISSUES

WHEREAS, many individuals are suffering from individual impacts caused by untreated behavioral health issues; and

WHEREAS, many of those who suffer from untreated behavioral health issues do not cause impacts for others as they address the issues they face individually, but they still need assistance to maximize the chance that they will live the happiest and most productive lives possible; and

WHEREAS, other people who suffer from untreated behavioral health issues impact multiple King County communities through trespass, theft, car prowling, and even the commission of violent crimes as they address the issues they face; and

WHEREAS, it is true that some of the people that are arrested and processed through our court system will not respond to intervention and will continue to commit crimes regardless of the intervention used. However, many other people would likely stop their criminal conduct if their untreated behavioral health issues were addressed early in a consistent and organized manner. However, there are limited resources available to intervene and the resources that are available are not organized in a way that allows for a coordinated approach by all of the stakeholders that could be of assistance in reducing impacts to King County communities and to the affected individuals; and

WHEREAS, this city and several other cities throughout King County are struggling to address behavioral health impacts due to lack of local resources, lack of shared resources, and the lack of a coordinated regional approach to addressing behavioral health impacts; and

WHEREAS, the lack of a coordinated regional approach results in a perpetual shifting of the problems between cities; and

WHEREAS, cities need flexibility without cookie cutter expectations so that local issues can be best addressed based upon local needs. Yet, it is understood that justice involved people commit crimes in multiple cities and in unincorporated King County.

This means that there needs to be an effort to take an approach that has a consistent and effective focus on the individual; and

WHEREAS, the Sequential Intercept Model is a well-accepted best practice that organizes resources in a logical and organized manner to maximize effectiveness for individuals and lower costs for communities; and

WHEREAS, the regional use of the Sequential Intercept Model will logically and effectively organize resources in ways that will actually allow more communities and individuals to be served; and

WHEREAS, the regional nature of the problems we face cannot be addressed
solely with local funds; and
WHEREAS, the City of, desires to partner with other King County
cities, King County, and the State of Washington to utilize regional resource networks
NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF, HEREBY RESOLVES

AS FOLLOWS:

The	City Council endorses the use the Sequential Intercept
Model on a regional	basis to address the impacts of behavioral health issues.
The	City Council also endorses the use of state funds to form and
coordinate the operat	ion of regional resource networks that can be linked to by local
communities in Inter	cept 0, law enforcement in Intercept 1, courts in Intercepts 2 and 3,
jails in Intercept 4, ar	nd probation in Intercept 5 of the Sequential Intercept Model.