

| CLEARANCES | Date | Date Received in Council Office | Agenda Date | Assigned To |
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| Orig. Dept.: County Council | 9/30/99 | RECEIVED SEP 30 1999 WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL | 10/12/99 | Council |
| Division Head: | | | | |
| Dept. Head: | | | | |
| Prosecutor: | | | | |
| Budget: | | | | |
| Executive: | | | | |

SUBJECT:

Resolution opposing Initiative 696

ATTACHMENTS

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

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| Related County Contract #: | Should the Clerk schedule a hearing? (Y/N) | Requested Date: |
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RECOMMENDED MOTION (for final action):

COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN:

1999 - 388 10/12/99: Amended and approved 7-0, Res. #99-049

Related File Numbers:

Ordinance or Resolution Number (this item only):

RES. #99-049

2 SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL
3 PROPOSED BY: COUNCIL
4 INTRODUCTION DATE: 10/12/99

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7 RESOLUTION NO. 99-049

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9 OPPOSING INITIATIVE 696

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11 WHEREAS, the commercial fishing industry is important to the economy of
12 Whatcom County and the State of Washington; and

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14 WHEREAS, net fishing is an important part of the commercial fishing
15 industry; and

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17 WHEREAS, the role of the Whatcom County Council is to create and maintain
18 public policy to promote the well-being of Whatcom County; and

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20 WHEREAS, Initiative 696 proposes a ban on all net fishing, with the exception
21 of that used by the bait fishermen.

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23 WHEREAS, no salmon would be saved by Initiative 696, due to the foregone
24 opportunity clause.

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26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Whatcom County Council that,
27 while we realize the existence of a salmon crisis, we do not believe the solution to
28 be the elimination of an important segment of the industry; and

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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Whatcom County Council opposes
31 Initiative 696.

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34 Approved this 12th day of October, 1999.

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37 ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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41 Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

Marlene Dawson, Council Chair

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43 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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46 Civil Deputy Prosecutor