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Executive:	PK	11-2			

SUBJECT:

Resolution Endorsing and Supporting the Action Plan of the Farm Futures Task Force

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

Related County Contract #:

Should Clerk schedule a hearing: NO / X / YES / / Requested Date:

SUMMARY STATEMENT: Resolution endorsing and supporting the action plan of the Farm Futures Task Force.

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Council approval.

COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN:

1999 - 443 11/9/99: Approved 7-0, Res. #99-059

Re

Ordinance or Resolution Number
 (this item):

RES #99-059

SPONSORED BY: EXEC.
PROPOSED BY: Executive
INDRODUCTION DATE: 11/9/99

RESOLUTION NO. 99-059

RESOLUTION ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE
ACTION PLAN OF THE FARM FUTURES TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, agriculture literally feeds this great nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, Whatcom County has a rich history of agricultural productivity; and

WHEREAS, agriculture and agricultural lands are encountering increasing economic and other challenges and pressures driving many farmers from the soil and converting vast areas of farmland to other uses; and

WHEREAS, on April 30, 1999, in an effort to ascertain the nature and extent of the obstacles facing agriculture and to identify community-based actions or policies which might assist in the preservation of agriculture as a viable presence, Whatcom County Executive Pete Kremen designated a Farm Futures Task Force to address these issues and develop a workable action plan to implement the findings and recommendations of the Task Force; and

WHEREAS, the Farm Futures Task Force has prepared and presented its Action Plan dated October 14, 1999, identifying goals, specifying objectives, determining necessary action, establishing timeliness, assigning responsibility and formulating methods of assessment to increase the economic viability of farming in Whatcom County; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Council applauds the work of the Farm Futures Task Force and desires to proclaim to all its endorsement of agriculture and agricultural pursuits in Whatcom County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Whatcom County Council unanimously declares its support and endorsement of the Action Plan prepared by the Farm Futures Task Force.

APPROVED this 9 day of November, 1999.

ATTEST:



Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Marlene M. Dawson, Chair

APPROVED as to form:



Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney