

A RESOLUTION ADDRESSED TO THE SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL AND THE
WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS,
THE CITIZENS OF SEATTLE HAVE USED PUBLIC FUNDS FOR
IMPROVEMENTS TO KEY ARENA AND PROVIDED A HOST OF LUCRATIVE
PUBLIC BENEFITS TO THE SONICS;

WHEREAS,
INDEPENDENT STUDIES CONCLUDE THAT PROFESSIONAL SPORTS
TEAMS DO NOT RESULT IN SIGNIFICANT BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY
IN TERMS OF JOBS, TAX REVENUES, OR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT;

WHEREAS,
PUBLIC FUNDING OF THE MARINERS AND SEAHAWKS STADIUMS HAS
CAUSED YEARS OF ILL WILL FOR OUR GOVERNMENT AND OUR
LEGISLATURE, AND BEEN THE SOURCE OF TAX REVOLTS;

WHEREAS,
MANY MEMBERS AND VOTERS OF THE 36TH DISTRICT ATTEND SONICS
GAMES, AND ARE FANS OF PROFESSIONAL BASKETBALL. WE HAVE ONLY
THE BEST WISHES FOR THE TEAM;

RESOLVED:

- 1) THAT THE 36TH DISTRICT DEMOCRATS REQUESTS ALL ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES TO ENSURE NO FURTHER PUBLIC FUNDING BE PROVIDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENOVATING KEY ARENA (THE SEATTLE CENTER COLISEUM) FOR THE SEATTLE SUPERSONICS,
- 2) THAT ALL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OR THE 36TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT TAKE EVERY ACTION TO PREVENT ANY FURTHER PUBLIC FUNDING FOR THE SEATTLE SUPERSONICS,
- 3) THAT THE OFFICERS OF THE 36TH DISTRICT DEMOCRATS SEND A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION WITH A COVER LETTER TO OUR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES, AS WELL AS THE KING COUNTY COUNCIL AND CHAIR OF THE STATE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.