



# Metropolitan King County Council

## RECOGNITION

WHEREAS, the King County Bar Association (KCBA) was founded in 1886 by leading Seattle attorneys in response to unlawful attempts to intimidate Chinese residents into leaving the city; and

WHEREAS, for 125 years, the KCBA has continued to champion equal access to justice for all; and

WHEREAS, the KCBA now has a staff of 35 and a board of trustees with 17 members serving over 14,000 attorneys in King County; and

WHEREAS, the KCBA has worked to improve the justice system in King County by bringing members of the legal profession and the judiciary together to address topics of common interest and to provide information to the public on judicial performance and suitability for appointment or election; and

WHEREAS, KCBA conducts legal education programs for attorneys and the public, and engages in collaborative policy projects to address important community issues; and

WHEREAS, since 1969, the association has awarded \$1.7 million in scholarships for minority law students to continue their legal education; and

WHEREAS, more than 1,500 KCBA volunteers annually provide legal assistance to approximately 11,000 economically disadvantaged people in King County through pro bono service programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Metropolitan King County Council, recognize the

### **KING COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**

on the occasion of its 125th anniversary and congratulate it on its long record of commitment to social justice and public service.

DATED this nineteenth day of September, 2011.

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