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AN ORDINANCE for the September 2009 and the February 2010 public

transportation service improvements for King County.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. The service changes proposed for September 2009 and February 2010 include the

reallocation of 139,100 Metro bus platform hours in response to the startup of Sound Transit's

Central Link light rail.

2. For neighborhoods served by the new Central Link light rail line, these service changes will

establish Metro Transit bus connections to Link light rail stations and adjacent transit centers. The reallocation of bus service also preserves bus service at local bus stops within the area served by Link light rail. At some local bus stops, service is preserved through Sound Transit Regional Express bus routes. The reallocation proposal was developed using extensive public outreach.

3. Sound Transit 2, approved by the electorate in November 2008, approves the extension of the Central Link light rail line to the University of Washington in 2016; from the University of Washington to Northgate, Seattle to Bellevue and SeaTac to Highline Community College in 2020; to Overlake Transit Center in 2021; and to Lynnwood (via Shoreline) and Redondo/Star Lake in 2023. When service to each of these extensions commences, Metro Transit is expected to submit for council approval a service change that reallocates bus service.

4. It is the council's intent that these future service changes will establish Metro Transit bus connections to Link light rail stations and adjacent transit centers. The council further intends that reallocation of bus service for these extensions will also preserve bus service at local bus stops within the areas served by Link light rail extensions. Development of these reallocation proposals will include an extensive public outreach process.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. The September 2009 public transportation service improvements for King County, substantially as described in Attachment A to this ordinance, are hereby approved.

SECTION 2. These transportation service improvements will be implemented effective September 19, 2009, and February 6, 2010.