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A RESOLUTION identifying the King County board of health's selected nonelected member candidates to begin serving in 2023.

WHEREAS, Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1152 was signed into law in May 2021 as Chapter 205, Laws of Washington 2021, modifying the structure of local boards of health to require an equal number of elected to nonelected members, with one of the nonelected members to be selected by the American Indian Health Commission for Washington State and the remaining members selected by the King County board of health from three specific categories of interests: public health, health care facilities, and providers; consumers of public health; and other community stakeholders, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 205, Laws of Washington 2021, on April 13, 2022, the Washington state Board of Health adopted chapter 246-90 WAC outlining how nonelected members of local boards of health are to be recruited, selected and appointed, and

WHEREAS, in response to Chapter 205, Laws of Washington 2021, Ordinance 19418 in April 2022 amended board membership in the King County Code to reflect the new state law, and

WHEREAS, the board adopted R&R BOH22-02 in May 2022 to amend Board of Health Code to reflect the new state law, chapter 246-90 WAC and Ordinance 19418, and

WHEREAS, the board coordinated with the American Indian Health Commission for Washington State to receive their candidate selections, and

WHEREAS, from May through October 2022, the board conducted a robust and successful recruitment and selection process for new, nonelected members, including hosting two online open houses with Spanish and American Sign Language interpreters attended by thirty-two people, posting information in English and

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Spanish on the board and Public Health - Seattle & King County websites, on social media and published in local media outlets, email newsletters and shared through community networks including Public Health's pandemic and racism community advisory group. The board received forty-four applications and selected ten remarkable applicants for appointment in accordance with the new state law, and

WHEREAS, the selected applicants represent a breadth of lived experience and expertise that will enhance the board's efforts to preserve and protect the public's health;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Health of King County:

- A. The board of health recommends for appointment the selected nonelected regular and alternate member candidates and the selected American Indian Health Commission for Washington State's regular and alternate tribal representative candidates identified in Attachment A to this resolution.
- B. All candidates selected by the board were recruited and selected in accordance with chapter 246-90 WAC pertaining to Local Board of Health Membership and each candidate selection meets the qualifications and requirements of RCW 70.05.035(1)(a).
- C. In accordance with K.C.C. 2.35.024 the board will transmit to the King County council this resolution along with the biography and application materials for each of the members selected by the board.