

To: Metropolitan King County Council  
From: Middle Green River Coalition

June 25, 2008

Dear Councilmembers,

Middle Green River Coalition is writing this letter to endorse the King County Open Space Charter Amendment, which increases protection of our publicly owned open space in King County. It is important to protect these lands from future development pressure and conversion to other uses. Through the 2 step process outlined in the Open Space Charter Amendment the efforts of our community to protect important properties in King County will be honored.

As an organization, we have volunteered thousands of hours to ensure that key open space lands in our communities are protected. These projects were carefully evaluated to ensure protection for long-term habitat health, passive recreation opportunities and environmentally sound forest production. The future of our environment and communities is tied into these open space protections.

We feel that this additional measure of protection from changing dynamics within the greater community and government will add an important layer of protection to these and other open space lands.

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