Proposed No. 12-08.1

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Global to Local Health Initiative as an innovative strategy to improve health inequities in King County.

WHEREAS, despite being home to some of the most advanced health care in the world, King County experiences some of the worst health inequities in the nation, and

WHEREAS, the cities of SeaTac and Tukwila, in particular, have lower life expectancy and higher rates of disease when compared to much of the rest of the county; however, these cities have many assets, including strong leadership and organizations, and

WHEREAS, Public Health - Seattle & King County, Swedish Health Services, HealthPoint Community Health Clinics and the Washington Global Health Alliance are partnering with the cities of SeaTac and Tukwila to develop the Global to Local Health Initiative, and

WHEREAS, Global to Local builds on the expertise of Washington state's global health institutions, bringing home strategies that have proved effective in addressing needs and health disparities in developing countries, and

WHEREAS, Global to Local is piloting approaches to improve individual and community health outcomes, lower health care costs and empower economic development, and

Sponsors
WHEREAS, global models include a diverse team of community health workers who engage their neighbors to identify health priorities, develop leadership and promote community health, as well as using new technologies to improve the provision of and access to interpretation services, and

WHEREAS, Global to Local is a unique public-private partnership with additional support from Providence Health & Services, the JPMorgan Chase Foundation, Novo Nordisk and the Workforce Development Council;

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

The Board of Health supports the valuable partnerships, strategies and activities
of Global to Local as they work to improve our community's health, create long-term change and continue to expand the reach into our communities.

Resolution 12-08 was introduced on and passed by the Board of Health on 7/19/2012, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Ms. Frisinger, Ms. Cooke, Mr. Conlin, Ms. Patterson, Dr. Nicola and Mr. McDermott
No: 0
Excused: 4 - Ms. Lambert, Mr. Licata, Ms. Clark and Dr. Danielson

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Joe McDermott, Chair

ATTEST:

Anne Noris, Clerk of the Board

Attachments: None