WHEREAS the Housing Authority operates a Section 8 Housing Voucher program governed by an Administrative Plan; and

WHEREAS within the Plan, policies detailing selection of applicants have been established; and

WHEREAS, within the selection policies, local preferences have been developed to insure that those most in need receive a Housing Voucher; and

WHEREAS the current local preferences include those who are displaced through no fault of their own, those that are living in substandard housing, and those that are currently paying more than 50% of their monthly income for rent and utilities; and

WHEREAS the Housing Authority is seeing more and more families who make less than 30% of the area median income (extremely low-income) and are in need of housing assistance but cannot provide proof they meet one of the three local preferences; and

WHEREAS the Housing Authority is recommending modification to the Section 8 tenant selection local preferences in a manner that mirrors previously approved local selection preferences for Public and Project-based Private housing programs by incorporating a preference for Extremely Low-income households;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF KING:
The Housing Authority is authorized to revise Section 5 of the Section 8 Tenant-based Administrative Plan to add a fourth local preference for those families who can document they are below the Extremely Low-income level for their family size:


THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF KING, WASHINGTON

DOUG BARNES, Chair
Board of Commissioners

STEPHEN J. NORMAN
Secretary