AN ORDINANCE of the City of Kent, Washington, relating to and establishing the Drinking Driver Task Force.

WHEREAS, the City of Kent created the Drinking Driver Task Force in 1983 to reduce the incidence of drinking and driving in Kent; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force has developed a community based educational approach to drinking drivers through work with the Washington State Traffic Safety Commission, the Kent Police Department, community leaders, school districts, and other interested citizens; and

WHEREAS, the scope of the work of the Task Force has evolved and expanded since its creation to include services that provide educational prevention services focusing on the use of seat belts, parenting skills, drug and alcohol prevention activities for at-risk youth, training and consultation services to school district staff, private non-profit agencies, work with local establishments that serve beer and alcohol, and various public and private agencies that work with and through the law enforcement system including, the courts, the police, prosecutors, probation officers; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the increased services it is deemed desirable to formally organize the Drinking Driver Task Force; and
WHEREAS, the City, in a recent management study, has determined it appropriate for the Task Force staff to report to the Kent Police Department; NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, WASHINGTON DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. DRINKING DRIVER TASK FORCE CREATED. The City of Kent Drinking Driver Task Force is hereby created. The Task Force shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator and Police Chief.

Section 2. MEMBERSHIP, TERMS, RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS.
A. The Task Force shall consist of eleven appointed members, each of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. The length of the term of office of each Task Force member shall be three years except as set forth below.

B. The term of office of the first three Task Force members appointed and confirmed shall expire January 1, 1992; the term of the subsequent four Task Force members appointed and confirmed shall expire January 1, 1993; the term of office of the final four Task Force members appointed and confirmed shall expire January 1, 1994. When a vacancy occurs on the Task Force, appointment for that position shall be for three years, or for the remainder of the unexpired term, whichever is the shorter period of time.

C. The number of members residing inside Kent shall exceed at least by one the number residing outside the City.
D. To the extent practicable, appointments shall reflect a balance of interest and should include representatives from education, parents, hospitality, enforcement and the treatment community.

Section 3. ORGANIZATION, MEETINGS. The Task Force Chair shall be appointed by the Mayor on an annual basis. The Task Force shall meet upon the call of the chairperson, as necessary.

Section 4. ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF. The City Administrator shall appoint appropriate staff to assist the Task Force in the preparation of such reports and records and to perform such administrative duties as are necessary for the proper operation of the Task Force. The administrative staff shall report directly to the Police Chief for all administrative functions consistent with the direction and needs of the Task Force. The administrative staff shall be exempt from civil service classification.

Section 5. TASK FORCE RESPONSIBILITIES. The Task Force shall make reports and recommendations to the Mayor, City Council and City Administrator concerning issues related to:

A. the incidence of driving while under the influence in Kent;

B. education of beverage servers;

C. public education on traffic safety issues; and

D. drug/alcohol awareness and education activities;

Section 6. FUNDING. The Task Force is subject to annual budget review and funding by the City for its continued operation.
Section 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from the time of its final passage as provided by law.

DAN KELLEHER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BRENDA JACOBER, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ROGER A. LUBOVICH, CITY ATTORNEY

PASSED the 17 day of September, 1991.
APPROVED the 18 day of September, 1991.
PUBLISHED the 20 day of September, 1991.

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 3001, passed by the City Council of the City of Kent, Washington, and approved by the Mayor of the City of Kent as hereon indicated.

BRENDA JACOBER, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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