Resolution: Supporting Continued City of Seattle Funding of Seattle Community Access Network (SCAN)

WHEREAS: Seattle Community Access Network (SCAN) provides a critical link between community and neighborhood activities and Seattle residents;

WHEREAS: SCAN is the only public access television station in King County, allowing any individual or group to have their story told on television;

WHEREAS: SCAN airs community based programming and other programming as requested by the community (such as Democracy Now) 24 hours day, 7 days per week, with more than 150 different programs airing each season;

WHEREAS: The cable companies provide more than $7.5 million in franchise fees to the City of Seattle, and a portion of those fees are expected to go toward public access television;

WHEREAS: The mainstream media does not allow for community member expression;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the King County Democratic Central Committee (KCDCC) endorse the efforts of SCAN in its contract renewal with the City of Seattle; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the King County Democratic Central Committee support continued funding of SCAN by the City of Seattle at a level of $650,000 annually, along with $500,000 in capital funds.

Approved by: Susan C. Sheary, KCDCC Chair
Dated: October 26, 2010

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