Resolution to Protect Burial Funds

Whereas, when a designated Burial Fund is established for a person to be used only for burial-related purposes, and

Whereas, professional guardians use their ward’s Burial Fund to pay professional fees to themselves and/or to their lawyers.

Therefore Be It Resolved, by the King County Democrats that the legislature should prohibit any professional guardian from taking any money from a Burial Fund, and should be prohibit any court commissioner or judge from authorizing such taking, subject to criminal prosecution or impeachment from judicial office, and

Therefore Be It Further Resolved, the professional guardian should be required upon the death of the ward to promptly deliver any Burial Fund to the next-of-kin or to whichever person will be making the burial arrangements, and

Therefore Be It Finally Resolved that the King County Democrat Chair is directed to send a copy to the Governor, the members of the Washington State Legislature.

Adopted by the King County Democratic Central Committee, February 23, 2010