

September 20, 2002

Carolyn Edmunds, Chair  
King County Board of Health  
516 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., 1200 Courthouse  
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Seattle, WA 98104

Ref: Seattle & King County Bicycle Helmet Ordinance

Dear Chair Edmunds,

The Cascade Bicycle Club, a recreational bicycle club with 4500 members in the Puget Sound region, supports the proposed Seattle-King County Board of Health bicycle helmet regulation. On May 2, 2002 the Cascade Bicycle Club board passed a resolution stating: "The Cascade Bicycle Club Board of Directors supports the Seattle-KC Board of Health in uniformly requiring bicycle helmets throughout King County including the City of Seattle."

As a recreational club with more than 1000 daily rides and 8 large events per year we recognize the importance of helmet use in the prevention of severe head injury. We therefore support the expansion of the King County bicycle helmet ordinance in Seattle to further prevent death and disability in King County. We look forward to the opportunity to continue our educational efforts around helmet safety issues in the community through Cascade Bicycle Club and the Cascade Bicycle Club Education Foundation after passage of this ordinance.

Sincerely,

Jim Paige,  
Cascade Bicycle Club President