



**King County**

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# Proclamation

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**WHEREAS**, as residents of King County, we are fortunate to live in a region with a rich diversity of cultures, traditions and people; and

**WHEREAS**, with a population of more than 20,000 in King County, Korean Americans continue to make significant and positive contributions to the growth and development of this region, achieving outstanding success in areas such as business, trade and economic development, government, education, arts, and sciences, and civic engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Korean American community and the City of Federal Way is proud to present the inaugural Han Woo-Ri, Northwest Korean Sports and Cultural Festival, a three-day event celebrating elements of contemporary and traditional Korean culture; and

**WHEREAS**, the largest Korean festival in the Pacific Northwest, Han Woo-Ri will bring international and regional participants to Federal Way, Washington on May 13-15, 2005, to showcase the best of traditional and contemporary music, dance, sports, arts, crafts, films, demonstrations, and exhibits that honor the beauty of Korean culture and heritage; and

**WHEREAS**, Han Woo-Ri is paving the way for a greater awareness of, and respect for, Korean culture, pride and heritage which will continue to flourish as it is passed on from generation to generation; and

**WHEREAS**, King County joins the Korean American community, the City of Federal Way and other sponsors in celebrating the first annual Han Woo-Ri and looks forward to witnessing the festival's continued growth and success in the years ahead;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ron Sims, King County Executive, do hereby proclaim May 13-15, 2005 to be

## **Han Woo-Ri Festival Days**

in King County. I encourage all residents to join me in celebrating Han Woo-Ri, Korean heritage and the significant and lasting contributions Korean Americans have made to this region.



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*Ron Sims*  
*King County Executive*