



# King County Fire Chiefs Association

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RESOLUTION NO. 08-002

A RESOLUTION urging citizens to attend community sponsored fireworks displays for 2008 Fourth of July celebrations.

**WHEREAS**, in 2007 there were 1,059 reported injuries or fires related to fireworks in the State, with 325 occurring within King County,

**WHEREAS**, in Washington State the dollar loss from fireworks exceeded \$21,000,000 in 2007,

**WHEREAS**, illegal fireworks caused 48 percent of the fires resulting in 94 percent of the estimated dollar loss,

**WHEREAS**, fireworks related incidents drain public resources and may result in delayed responses to critical medical and rescue situations,

**WHEREAS**, most injuries occur with young people, who are often discharging fireworks when unsupervised by an adult.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the King County Fire Chiefs Association does hereby resolve to encourage citizen attendance of public fireworks displays and events during 2008 Fourth of July celebrations and recommend that the discharge of fireworks be left only in the hands of qualified professionals.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the King County Fire Chiefs Association, in an effort to limit injury and property damage, urges citizens who purchase fireworks to become educated and follow fireworks regulations according to those areas that allow for the private discharge of fireworks.

Signed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2008.



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