ORDINANCE 3559

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO AN INTERIM DEFINITION OF "NURSING HOME" UNDER THE KIRKLAND ZONING CODE.

Whereas, the Kirkland City Council has the authority to adopt interim regulations pursuant to RCW 35A.63.220; and

Whereas, the Kirkland City Council has determined that there is a need for an interim change in the definition of "nursing home" under Section 5.572 of the Kirkland Zoning Code; and

Whereas, pursuant to RCW 35A.63.220, a public hearing on the regulations herein contained was held before the adoption of this Ordinance;

Now, therefore, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. Kirkland Zoning Code Section 5.572, entitled "Nursing Home," is hereby amended to read as follows:

> <u>Nursing-Home</u>—Facilities for-patients-who-are-recovering from an-illness,-or-receiving-care-for-chronic-conditions,-mental-or physical-disabilities,-terminal-illness,-alcohol-or-drug-in-patient treatment.—Care-may-include-in-patient-administration-of medicine,-preparation-of-special diets,-bedside-nursing-care, and-treatment-by-a-physician-or-psychiatrist. Out-patient-care is-limited-to-prior-patients-only.

> Nursing Home - Any home, place, or institution which operates or maintains facilities providing convalescent or chronic care, or both, for a period in excess of 24 consecutive hours for three or more patients not related by blood or marriage to the operator, who, by reason of illness or infirmity, are unable to properly care for themselves, and provided that the operation or maintenance of the premises is such that it is required to be licensed as a nursing home under RCW Chapter 18.51.

Section 2. To the extent the subject matter of this Ordinance, pursuant to Ordinance 2001, is subject to the disapproval jurisdiction of the Houghton Community Council, this Ordinance shall become effective within the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation only upon approval of the Houghton Community Council or the failure of said Community Council to disapprove this Ordinance within 60 days of the date of the passage of this Ordinance. Section 3. This Ordinance shall be effective for six months. This Ordinance may be renewed for one or more six-month periods if a subsequent public hearing is held and findings of fact are made prior to each renewal.

<u>Section 4</u>. Except as provided in Section 2, this Ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its passage by the Kirkland City Council and publication, as required by law.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in regular, open meeting this <u>19th</u> day of <u>November</u>, 1996.

Signed in authentication thereof this <u>19th</u> day of <u>November</u>, 1996.

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Attest:

Clerk

Approved as to Form:

City Attorney

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