CITY OF BURNABY

COMMUNITY POLICING COMMITTEE

HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

Re: Alcohol Ignition Interlock Program in B.C.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Burnaby City Council write to the Minister responsible for ICBC to request a review of the advantages, legalities and procedures required to initiate an "Alcohol Ignition Interlock Program" in British Columbia.

REPORT

The Community Policing Committee, at its meeting held on 1997 November 13, reviewed the request from the Village of Belcarra for support for its proposal to initiate an "Alcohol Ignition Interlock Program" in B.C. similar to the program currently in place in the Province of Alberta.

Generally speaking, an "Alcohol Ignition Interlock" device is an electronic device with micro computer logic and internal memory having a breath alcohol analyzer as a major component. This interconnects with the ignition and other control systems of a motor vehicle. It measures the blood alcohol concentration of an intended driver and prevents the motor vehicle from being started or driven if the reading exceeds a preset limit.

The Community Policing Committee feel that exploration of this program has merit in the continuing fight against drunk driving and therefore recommend Council write to the Provincial Government to request further investigation of the program.

Respectfully submitted,

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- DIR. PLNG. & BLDG.

- OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, R.C.M.P.

Councillor D. Evans Chair

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