

1 Sponsored by: Councilmembers Marty Campbell, Derek Young, and Connie Ladenburg
2 Requested by: County Council

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5 **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-137**
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8 **An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Adding a Tribal**
9 **Representative to the Birth to 25 Advisory Board for Infant,**
10 **Child, Youth, and Young Adult Development and Amending**
11 **Ordinance No. 2019-6.**
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14 **Whereas**, the development of a child to adulthood spans Prenatal to 25 years,
15 when the mind and body reach full development; and

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17 **Whereas**, all infants and children go through stages to acquire the aptitude,
18 competencies, values and social skills they need to become successful adults; and

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20 **Whereas**, routine practices of child and youth serving agencies apply knowledge
21 of these stages and other research from the science of development to their practices;
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24 **Whereas**, it is accepted practice to provide positive supports to youth to
25 transition from adolescence to adulthood through the acquisition of pro social skills and
26 supportive positive relationships; and

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28 **Whereas**, efforts to prevent risky behaviors and attitudes in youth should be
29 made available to all youth; and

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31 **Whereas**, there is evidence that youth that have had adverse childhood
32 experiences are disproportionately represented in the criminal justice system; and

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34 **Whereas**, Pierce County is disproportionately represented in the number of
35 dependency terminations and youth admissions to detention facilities; and

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37 **Whereas**, Pierce County is disproportionately represented in incidence of
38 domestic violence and youth suicide; and

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40 **Whereas**, Pierce County exhibits high numbers of youth and families living in
41 poverty and/or experiencing homelessness and other at-risk environments; and

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43 **Whereas**, such disparities as listed above have long-term negative
44 consequences for children, youth, young adults, and families in Pierce County; and

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46 **Whereas**, such disparities as listed above disproportionately impact children,
47 youth, young adults, and families of color in Pierce County; and



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Whereas, there is not a comprehensive child and youth development strategic plan to support all healthy youth development across Pierce County; and

Whereas, there is a need to improve linkages between agencies and programs that serve Prenatal to 25; and

Whereas, the Pierce County Council established a Birth to 25 Advisory Board for Infant, Child, Youth, and Young Adult Development, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2019-6; and

Whereas, the Birth to 25 Advisory Board is currently composed of 19 representatives to "represent the cultural diversity of Pierce County"; and

Whereas, the Pierce County Council wishes to add a representative from one of our area tribes to the Birth to 25 Advisory Board; **Now Therefore**,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Pierce County:

1 Section 1. Exhibit A to Ordinance No. 2019-6 is hereby amended as shown
2 below to add a tribal representative as a full voting member to the Birth to 25 Advisory
3 Board for Infant, Child, Youth, and Young Adult Development.
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5 "C. Composition.
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7 The B-25 Board shall be comprised for 1920 members who represent the cultural
8 diversity of Peirce County, including: seven community members that can
9 represent family perspectives and viewpoints (one from each of the seven
10 County Council districts); one representative from a county-wide youth-serving
11 organization; one representative from K-12 education; one representative from
12 early childhood education; one representative from youth workforce
13 development; one representative from juvenile justice; one representative from
14 Public Health; one representative from the Behavioral Health community,
15 including mental health and substance use disorder services; one representative
16 from a youth housing/homelessness organization; one representative from the
17 pediatric medical community; one representative from the faith community; one
18 representative of the special needs community; one representative from one of
19 our area tribes; and one young adult. The B-25 Board is also encouraged to add
20 non-voting student members. Preference for young adults in the 18-25 age
21 category and those who have utilized the above-mentioned services will be given
22 in appointing members."
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24 "F. Officers – Quorum – Voting Privileges.
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26 The B-25 Board shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from among its members. A
27 quorum of the B-25 Board for the purposes of transacting business shall be 10
28 members. Each member of the B-25 Board shall be entitled to one vote on any
29 matter duly before the body. Members shall abstain from voting on matters that
30 create a conflict of interest with their professional role or with the organization
31 they represent."
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33 PASSED this 22nd day of December, 2020.
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35 ATTEST:

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37 Denise D. Johnson
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39 **Denise D. Johnson**
40 Clerk of the Council
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35 **PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL**
36 Pierce County, Washington

37 Douglas G. Richardson
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39 **Douglas G. Richardson**
40 Council Chair
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42 Bruce F. Dammeier
43 **Bruce F. Dammeier**
44 Pierce County Executive
45 Approved Vetoed _____, this
46 29th day of December,
47 2020.

48 Date of Publication of Notice of Public Hearing: December 16, 2020
49 Effective Date of Ordinance: January 8, 2021

