To the Citizens of Hingham:

The <u>Hingham</u> Study Commission elected by the voters on Nov. 6, 1984, or thereafter appointed present this fianl report to the citizens of this county.

The purpose of the study commission, as defined in state law, is "to study the exising form and powers of our county government and procedures for delivery of local government services and compare them with other forms available under the laws of the State of Montana. If some change is deemed necessary, the study commission may submit such proposed change to the electors.

In the conduct of their review the study commission has sought advice and information from a number of people in the city. Opinions and recommendations were solicited from local government officials, community organizations and citizens. All meetings of the study commission were open to the public. Public hearings were held to determine citizen opinion.

As a result of discussions held with the people and groups mentioned the Hingham Study Commission has concluded that there is general consensus that the existing county commission form of government has served this county well since its organization isn 1865, and will continue to do so in the future. We therefore recommend no change in this form of government.

Respectfully submitted,

Hingham Study Commissioners