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## ENGROSSED SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 8016

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By Senators Shin, Rasmussen and Sheahan

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- 1 TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,
- 2 AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
- 3 REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 4 UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED:
- 5 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of
- 6 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully
- 7 represent and petition as follows:
- 8 WHEREAS, The aquaculture industry in Washington state produces
- 9 high-quality, pathogen-free, nonanadromous aquacultural products for
- 10 sale to public agencies and private companies throughout the world; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Washington state's aquaculture industry employs hundreds
- 12 of people in well-paying, technical positions located in many rural
- 13 communities throughout the state, generating forty million dollars
- 14 worth of products; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Canadian fish farmers have expressed the desire to
- 16 purchase high-quality nonanadromous aquacultural products from
- 17 Washington state producers; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Many fish farmers in the United States currently purchase
- 19 nonanadromous aquacultural products from Canada; and

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WHEREAS, Increased freedom to engage in the commercial trade of nonanadromous aquacultural products between the United States and Canada will only help our two nations grow more prosperous;

NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the government of the United States emphasize the importance of the free and fair trade of nonanadromous aquacultural products in its relations with the government of Canada.

BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of Washington.

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