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By Representative Foreman

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- 1 TO THE HONORABLE BILL CLINTON, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND
- 2 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, AND TO THE UNITED STATES FOREST
- 5 SERVICE:
- 6 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of
- 7 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully
- 8 represent and petition as follows:
- 9 WHEREAS, Wilderness areas of Washington State provide a variety of
- 10 recreation opportunities; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Preservation of historic structures enhances the unique
- 12 culture of the great State of Washington; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Wilderness structures provide shelter in emergencies, such
- 14 as the recent forest fires; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Publicly available wilderness structures provide
- 16 opportunities for recreationists with varied interests to cooperate and
- 17 learn more about each other's interests; and
- 18 WHEREAS, The War Creek Cabin in the North Cascades is such a
- 19 structure located on public land; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, The War Creek Cabin is in excess of sixty years old but
- 2 has been maintained as an aesthetically pleasing and usable structure;
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, The War Creek Cabin was historically used as the shelter
- 5 for crews maintaining the only communication line for the remote
- 6 community of Stehekin; and
- WHEREAS, It serves the best interests of the citizens of Washington
- 8 and visitors to the state to preserve and use the War Creek Cabin and
- 9 similar structures on public land; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives and the Senate of the State
- 11 of Washington support the preservation and continued use by
- 12 recreationists of the War Creek Cabin and similar structures on public
- 13 land;
- NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully request that the
- 15 United States Forest Service work with local recreation groups such as
- 16 the Backcountry Horsemen, Methow Valley Chapter, to accomplish
- 17 preservation and continued use of the War Creek Cabin.
- 18 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
- 19 transmitted to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United
- 20 States, the Secretary of Agriculture, the President of the United
- 21 States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each
- 22 member of Congress from the State of Washington.

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