HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 95-4623, by Representatives Ogden and Carlson

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the State of Washington recognizes people who have made significant contributions to the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Nadia Nava was one of five students in the nation selected to win a five thousand dollar grant from the National Institute for Dispute Resolution; and

WHEREAS, In the Spring of 1994, Nadia, at the time a sophomore at Fort Vancouver High School, wrote an essay focusing on her school's challenges in developing interaction between multicultural students and the alienation experienced by ethnic groups. Nadia also led a student group to develop a conflict resolution proposal; and

WHEREAS, Based on Nadia's essay, Fort Vancouver High School was awarded the grant to expand multicultural efforts and student conflict programs, assist in implementing a violence prevention program, and support enhanced mediation skills for students; and

WHEREAS, Teachers Jim Morrisey and Virginia Shorey promote student multicultural groups to talk about and solve problems and apply these concepts in the classroom, and have developed a crosscultural curriculum for their school and others; and

WHEREAS, Fort Vancouver High School has already held a workshop for at-risk students, which resulted in a student mediation team to resolve conflicts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize and honor Nadia Nava for her leadership and successful essay and all the students, teachers, and staff of Fort Vancouver High School for their multicultural efforts and student conflict resolution programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Ralph Riden, Principal of Fort Vancouver High School, Jim Morrisey, Virginia Shorey, and Nadia Nava.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4623 adopted by the House of Representatives
March 27, 1995.

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Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk