HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 95-4687, by Representatives Mason, Costa, Appelwick, Backlund, Ballard, Ballasiotes, Basich, Beeksma, Benton, Blanton, Boldt, Brown, Brumsickle, Buck, Cairnes, Campbell, Carlson, Carrell, Casada, Chandler, Chappell, Chopp, Clements, Cody, Cole, Conway, Cooke, Crouse, Dellwo, Delvin, Dickerson, Dyer, Ebersole, Elliot, G. Fisher, R. Fisher, Foreman, Fuhrman, Goldsmith, Grant, Hankins, Hargrove, Hatfield, Hickel, Honeyford, Horn, Huff, Hymes, Jacobsen, Johnson, Kessler, Koster, Kremen, Lambert, Lisk, Mastin, McMahan, McMorris, Mielke, Mitchell, Morris, Mulliken, Ogden, Padden, Patterson, Pelesky, Pennington, Poulsen, Quall, Radcliff, Reams, Regala, Robertson, Romero, Rust, D. Schmidt, K. Schmidt, Schoesler, Scott, Sehlin, Sheahan, Sheldon, Sherstad, Silver, Skinner, Smith, Sommers, Sterk, Stevens, Talcott, Thibaudeau, B. Thomas, L. Thomas, Thompson, Tokuda, Valle, Van Luven, Veloria and Wolfe

WHEREAS, The entire nation is shocked and saddened by Wednesday's terrorist bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Building in Oklahoma City; and

WHEREAS, Our thoughts and deepest sympathies go out to the victims of this terrible tragedy and their families as we observe Sunday, April 23, as a national day of mourning; and

WHEREAS, The emotional aftermath of this tragedy is especially difficult for our nation's children; and

WHEREAS, We pray for the rescue of any survivors who may still be left in the building; and

WHEREAS, We owe an immeasurable debt of gratitude to the public safety and rescue workers who have risked their own lives to search for and save victims of the bombing; and

WHEREAS, We are also proud of and grateful for the outstanding investigative work of state and federal law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, This tragedy has brought about compassion and caring among our fellow Americans that has shown the United States to be a great nation; and

WHEREAS, We must not tolerate such brutal acts of terrorism and wanton disregard for human life;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize that we must do everything within our power and resources to ensure the protection of our children and families from random acts of violence; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Washington State House of Representatives, take this moment to offer our prayers and condolences to the victims of Wednesday's terrorist bombing, to their families, and to everyone whose lives have been touched by this unspeakable tragedy.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4687 adopted by the House of Representatives April 23, 1995.