

HOUSE RESOLUTION 96-471 By Representatives Steve Beckwith and Foreman

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to recognize excellence in fields of endeavor and
WHEREAS, the Filipino-American Association of Oak Harbor exemplifies excellent accomplishments, contributions, and service to this great state of Washington;

WHEREAS, the Filipino-American Association of Oak Harbor has on East Sunday, 9/9/96, celebrated its 25th anniversary;

WHEREAS, the Filipino-American Association of Oak Harbor has successfully advocated, promoted, advanced and encouraged the vitality, spirit, and richness of cultural heritage;

WHEREAS, the Filipino-American Association of Oak Harbor illustrates the rich heritage of the Philippines by sponsoring and funding many different celebratory performances including Christmas plays, theatricals, a dialect of the Philippines, many different festivals, and a parade and support of Philippine exhibits in various areas, all of which have educated the community, the rich history and customs of the Philippines and the accomplishments and contributions of Filipino-Americans;

WHEREAS, the Filipino-American Association of Oak Harbor has also demonstrated unwavering commitment to education and investment in our young citizens through its administrative board of highly educated scholars from the past two decades, which have allowed a great many individuals to pursue higher education and which have also ensured the greater benefit to the community;

WHEREAS, the Filipino-American Association of Oak Harbor has also selflessly and greatly contributed to the betterment and improvement of our communities by such efforts as organizing and participating in unity letter drives, canned-food drives, holiday gift baskets, and other fortunate and successful community events such as the Asian-Pacific Heritage Month Celebration and the All People Celebration;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives do hereby give the highest level of excellence shown by the Filipino-American Association of Oak Harbor, which for the past twenty-five years has demonstrated excellent service and contribution to the great state of Washington through its many different activities and for the shining example of inspiration set for others;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the Filipino-American Association of Oak Harbor.

Thereby certified to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 96-471 adopted by the House of Representatives
February 16, 1996.

Timothy Martini, Chief Clerk