HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 96-4747, by Representatives Conway, Scheuerman, Chopp, Regala, Valle, Tokuda, Sheldon, Wolfe, Linville, R. Fisher, Basich, Patterson, Kessler, Grant, Dellwo, Romero, Ogden, Rust, Brown, Hatfield, Jacobsen, Keiser, Appelwick, Poulsen, Morris, Veloria, Murray, Cody, Quall, Costa, H. Sommers, Scott, Dickerson, Mason, Cole and Robertson

WHEREAS, In 1992, citizen Dave Chappell vowed to his future constituents that he would not become a career politician; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dave Chappell will conclude two terms as State Representative for the 20th Legislative District in the Washington state House of Representatives when the House of Representatives adjourns sine die; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his election to the House of Representatives, Chappell served as a reserve police officer, as a member of the Governor's Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee, and as a member of the Centralia City Planning Commission, and

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WHEREAS, During the past four years, Representative Chappell has strived to serve the people of the 20th District, representing the rural interests and lifestyle of his constituents; and

WHEREAS, A life-long Lewis County resident, Representative Chappell quickly gained a reputation as a pragmatic conservative who routinely voted with sentiments of his district, rather than his own party leadership on major issues like the state Operating Budget, tax increases, and Second Amendment rights; and

WHEREAS, Chappell has worked tirelessly on criminal justice issues, hunter safety and education, private property rights, promoting small businesses, and preserving services for the developmentally disabled; and

WHEREAS, In 1994, the National Federation of Independent Businesses awarded Chappell its Small Business Guardian Award for his efforts on behalf of small business; and

WHEREAS, He has been a pioneer in the House of Representatives in providing legislative information to constituents via the Internet; and

WHEREAS, Through the "It Ought to Be a Law" project, Chappell helped teach high school students from around the state more about the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Representative Chappell has enjoyed working alongside his friend and former high school principal, Representative Bill Brumsickle, who is also calling it quits; and

WHEREAS, Chappell will now dedicate the majority of his time to his wife Joan, and their two children Christopher and Camille;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives celebrate and commemorate the hard work, dedication, wit, and timely humor that Representative Dave Chappell has brought this chamber; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Representative Dave Chappell and the members of his family.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4747 adopted by the House of Representatives March 5, 1996.