<u>HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 98-4684</u>, by Representatives Buck, Doumit, McCune, Hatfield, Wolfe, Dunshee and McMorris

WHEREAS, The Washington Contract Loggers Association organized the "Log-A-Load For Kids" Program in 1995 to raise money to allow children's hospitals located across the State of Washington to continue to accept young patients in need of medical care regardless of their ability to pay; and

WHEREAS, The "Log-A-Load For Kids" is an annual, state-wide event sponsored by the Washington Contract Loggers Association, whereby loggers and others within the timber community donate their proceeds from a load of logs, about five hundred dollars per load, to benefit various children's hospitals across the great State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, The "Log-A-Load For Kids" Program has collected over sixty-two thousand dollars during the last two years, by way of the Children's Miracle Network Telethon, which is a tribute to the hardworking Washington State loggers, foresters, manufacturers, suppliers, and others within the timber industry, whose generous contributions mean so much to the health and well-being of Washington State's children; and

WHEREAS, The money raised benefits children's hospitals located all across the State of Washington, including, Seattle Children's Hospital, Deaconess Medical Center, Deer Park Health Center and Hospital, Holy Family Hospital in Spokane, Mount Carmel Hospital in Colville, Regional Center for Child Abuse and Neglect, St. Joseph's Hospital in Chewelah, St. Luke's Rehabilitation Institute, Sacred Heart Medical Center, and Valley Hospital and Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, All funds raised by the "Log-A-Load For Kids" Program return to the local community, with a total of ninety-eight percent of the money donated going to enable the various hospitals to continue to provide necessary medical care to those children who are unable to pay for the necessary treatment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the "Log-A-Load For Kids" Program for its outstanding contribution to the various communities across the great State of Washington and the State itself; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the Washington Contract Loggers Association and the Children's Miracle Network.