HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 99-4605, by Representatives Huff, Tokuda, D. Schmidt, Dunn, Van Luven, Sump, Cairnes, Lisk, Mulliken, D. Sommers, Mielke, Lambert, Bush, McDonald, Radcliff, Delvin, Thomas, Mastin, Carlson, Benson, H. Sommers, Campbell, Doumit, Murray, Cody, Ogden, Parlette, Lantz, Schual-Berke, Kagi, Edmonds and Veloria

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to recognize the contributions of individuals who reflect standards of excellence that enhance the well-being and quality of life of the citizens of the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Casey has served since 1977 as a legislative advocate, setting the highest standards of dedication, honesty, and civility; and

WHEREAS, Margaret has lobbied for those who are the most vulnerable in society, such as poor children, the aging, those in prison, those in long-term care, and children in the juvenile justice system, making the concerns of these follow Washingtonians known and felt throughout the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Margaret is held in high esteem, even by those who do not share her views, because of her forthright, whole-hearted, and caring attitude and her ability to see many sides of an issue; and

WHEREAS, Margaret has made the needs of those she has represented seem real and understandable, and not merely abstract; and

WHEREAS, Margaret's idealism and conscience challenge all of us who serve the people of Washington in the legislative process, and encourage us to build a better and more just society; and

WHEREAS, Margaret was also a former teacher and school principal who loved ballroom dancing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize Margaret Casey for her years of dedicated advocacy for the frail, for the elderly, and for poor children and their families, whose voice was heard through her concern and further wish her the best of luck in all future endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives to Margaret Casey.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4605 adopted by the House of Representatives January 20, 1999.

Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerk

Dean R. Foster, Co-Chief Clerk