HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 99-4658, by Representatives Veloria, Ogden, Thomas, Ruderman and Cody

WHEREAS, Cost-effective and efficient management operations in public schools are vital in supporting the provision of quality education to our students by our teachers as we move into the new millennium; and

WHEREAS, The Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative, which was formed by school districts and the educational service districts, has been providing efficient and cost-effective information services to school districts for thirty years; and

WHEREAS, The Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative has enabled school districts to spend millions of dollars in classrooms instead of on administrative software; and

WHEREAS, The Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative, in partnership with the state and the private sector, has been making significant improvements in its software and network products to ensure that school districts of all sizes have the tools to meet their information services needs; and

WHEREAS, The Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative has successfully assisted in the implementation of the K-20 network and is the leading K-12 service provider over the K-20 network, assuring the smooth and rapid flow of data between school districts, the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, The Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative depends upon the critical and continuing partnership with state government in order to complete the timely update of its services for school districts; and

WHEREAS, Most school districts currently take advantage of the benefits of membership in the Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives acknowledge the dedicated efforts and successful achievements realized by the Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative and its committed staff, working in collaboration with state, regional, and local educational partner agencies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize and encourage support for the Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative's continuous improvements and strongly encourage school districts to work together as full participants with the Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives to the Washington Schools Information Processing Cooperative.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4658 adopted by the House of Representatives March 24, 1999.

Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerk	Dean R. Foster Co-Chief Clerk