HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2000-4740, by Representatives Delvin, Lovick, McDonald, Hurst, Bush, Carrell, Constantine, Kastama, Reardon, Schindler, Wood, B. Chandler, Koster, Fortunato, Schoesler, Lantz, O'Brien, G. Chandler, Grant, Anderson, Cooper, Stensen, Linville, DeBolt, Wolfe, Thomas, Kessler, Ogden, Edmonds, Eickmeyer, Rockefeller, Morris, Gombosky, Doumit, Miloscia, Dunshee, Schual-Berke, Skinner, Barlean, Carlson, Clements, Huff, Woods, Cox, Radcliff, Mastin, Buck, Mulliken, Mielke, Esser, Ballasiotes, Ericksen, Dunn, Hankins, D. Sommers, Cairnes, Benson, Wensman, Pflug, Talcott and Parlette

WHEREAS, Many men and women from Washington state have served and continue to serve their communities well as dedicated law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, The brave men and women of law enforcement frequently place their own safety at risk to help us all live in safer, healthier communities; and

WHEREAS, The committed men and women of law enforcement demonstrated the best of their profession in the recent events surrounding the World Trade Organization conference in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, Under some of the most difficult circumstances imaginable, the honorable men and women of law enforcement maintained their own and valiantly put themselves on the line to protect both persons and property against the lawless acts of people bent on destruction and harm; and

WHEREAS, The proud men and women of law enforcement refused to concede the streets of Seattle to the efforts of some to trample on the rights of the guests, visitors, and residents of Seattle; and

WHEREAS, The outstanding men and women of law enforcement should be recognized for their courage, their professionalism, and their integrity in respecting the rule of law, maintaining the safety of the public, and proving their character and fortitude in taking a leadership role in keeping the peace;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives express its heartfelt appreciation to men and women of law enforcement for their dedicated service and their recent performance in ensuring the well-being of our citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives to each law enforcement agency that participated in Seattle during the World Trade Organization conference, including the Auburn Police Department, Bainbridge Island Police Department, Bonney Lake Police Department, Bothell Police Department, Brier Police Department, Buckley Police Department, Edmonds Police Department, Enumclaw Police Department, Everett Police Department, Federal Way Department of Public Safety, Gig Harbor Police Department, Issaquah Police Department, King County Sheriffs Office, Kirkland Police Department, Kitsap County Sheriffs Office, Lake Stevens Police Department, Lynnwood Police Department, Marysville Police Department, Mercer Island Police Department, Mill Creek Police Department, Milton Police Department, Monroe Police Department, Mountlake Terrace Police Department, Mukilteo Police Department, Orting Police Department, Port of Seattle Police Department, Redmond Police Department, Renton Police Department, Snohomish County Sheriffs Office, Snohomish Police Department, Sultan Police Department, Sumner Police Department, Tacoma Police Department, Tukwila Police Department, University of Washington Police Department, Washington State Department of Corrections, and the Washington State Patrol.

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