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## ENGROSSED HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 4021

57th Legislature 2002 Regular Session

Passed by the House February 1, 2002 Yeas 94 Nays 0

Speaker of the House of Representatives

CERTIFICATE

I, Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 4021** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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By Representatives Buck, Rockefeller, Chandler, Holmquist, Schoesler, Mulliken, Sump, Cox, Pflug, Delvin, Cairnes, Sehlin, Armstrong, Jackley, Ballasiotes, Ahern, Talcott, Nixon, Jarrett, Skinner, Anderson, Lovick, Kenney, Morell, Schmidt, Miloscia, Simpson, Berkey, Lantz, Darneille, Fromhold, Hunt, Cooper, Conway, Casada, Esser, Campbell, Dunshee, Sommers, Gombosky, Ruderman, Eickmeyer, Kagi, Tokuda, Doumit, Sullivan, Cody, Wood, Pearson, Van Luven, Kessler, Chase, Ogden, Haigh and Woods

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1 TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, 2 AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF 3 REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 4 UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, AND TO LIEUTENANT GENERAL WILLIAM 5 J. LENNOX, JR., SUPERINTENDENT, UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY, WEST 6 POINT:

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully represent and petition as follows:

10 WHEREAS, The United States Military Academy today celebrates 200 11 years of providing leaders of character for our Army and a lifetime of 12 selfless service to the Nation; and

WHEREAS, On March 16, 1802, President Thomas Jefferson signed into law a bill of the United States Congress authorizing the establishment of "a military academy to be located at West Point in the State of New York;" and

17 WHEREAS, West Point was originally created as an academic 18 institution devoted to the arts and sciences of warfare, and later 19 emphasizing engineering to serve the needs of the Nation and to 20 eliminate the country's reliance on foreign engineers and artillerists; 21 and

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1 WHEREAS, Isaac I. Stevens, the first graduate of West Point's Class 2 of 1839, served as the first Governor of the Territory of Washington, 3 and organized and led the Northern Railway Survey that paved the way 4 for the transcontinental railroads to Washington; and

5 WHEREAS, United States Military Academy graduates were responsible 6 for the construction of many of the Nation's initial railway lines, 7 bridges, harbors and roads, and surveys and mapmaking that were vital 8 to the infrastructure development of our great Country and its State of 9 Washington; and

10 WHEREAS, United States Military Academy led Army forces into the 11 wilderness area that became the Territory and State of Washington, 12 providing protection and development services until the civil authority 13 was able to assume these functions; and

14 WHEREAS, West Point graduates have distinguished themselves in 15 countless ways, from Olympic glory to receiving the Heisman Trophy, 16 from receiving scores of Rhodes Scholarships to serving as some of the 17 Nation's pioneering astronauts; and

18 WHEREAS, The United States Military Academy is preparing for its 19 third century of service to our Nation - a future in which fighting and 20 winning our Nation's wars remains the Army's primary focus; and

WHEREAS, The United States Military Academy must also prepare 21 officers for peacekeeping duties as part of an ever complex world; and 22 WHEREAS, The United States Military Academy remains today an 23 24 energetic, vibrant institution that attracts some of the Nation's best 25 and brightest young men and women from throughout the Country and its 26 State of Washington who, in the next two hundred years of service to 27 this Nation, will face challenges different from those that have gone before them to make up the storied Long Gray Line; and 28

29 WHEREAS, The United States Military Academy continues its lasting 30 commitment to its motto of Duty, Honor, Country;

31 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the President of the United States and the Congress join with the state of 32 33 Washington and other states in honoring the 200th Anniversary of the 34 United States Military Academy at West Point in recognizing that the 35 United States Military Academy is a living testament to the accomplishments of the United States throughout its history, and in 36 37 recognizing West Point and its graduates as they move forward into the Academy's third century of service to the Nation. 38

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BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United States, Lieutenant General William J. Lennox, Jr., Superintendent, United States Military Academy, West Point, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of Washington.

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