HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2002-4719, by Representatives Esser, Ruderman, Nixon, Lovick, Schmidt, Cox, Anderson, Jarrett, Van Luven, Skinner, Hankins and Pflug

WHEREAS, More than 32,500 Microsoft employees living in our great State of Washington contribute to the social and economic well-being of our state; and

WHEREAS, Microsoft employees developed and deployed in 10 hours the Family Registration Web at the request of the American Red Cross to help the organization reunite friends and families displaced by the attacks of September 11th, as well as assisting relief efforts in many ways; and

WHEREAS, The United States Army honored Microsoft employees for their commitment to helping those affected by the events of September 11th;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington express their thanks to Microsoft employees for helping our nation respond to the events of September 11th; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Bill Gates, Chairman of the Board and Chief Software Architect of Microsoft Corporation, and Deborah Willingham, Senior Vice President, Human Resources.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of 4719 Resolution adopted by the House of Representatives February 27, 2002.