HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.2005-4629, by Representative Darneille

WHEREAS, Tacoma residents rallied to protect an unused military reservation, turning it into public green space, with President Theodore Roosevelt signing legislation granting the land that is Point Defiance Park to the City of Tacoma on March 3, 1905; and

WHEREAS, Point Defiance Park is the crown jewel of Tacoma's green spaces and an icon for the city, with 10 miles of walking trails, rocky beaches, cliffs, and 552 acres of undeveloped land including old growth forests; and

WHEREAS, Point Defiance Park is also home to eight landscaped gardens, the Point Defiance Zoo and Aquarium, the Fort Nisqually Living History Museum, the Boathouse Marina, Owen Beach, Five Mile Drive, and the Camp Six Logging Museum; and

WHEREAS, March 3, 2005, marks Point Defiance Park's centennial, which will be celebrated with special events, displays, a documentary, and other events from March 3rd through September 2005:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives join in the recognition and celebration of Point Defiance Park's centennial.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4629 adopted by the House of Representatives February 25, 2005

Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk