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By Senators Cantu, Snyder and Kohl

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1 TO THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CLINTON, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
2 STATES, AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE
3 OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
4 THE UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED:

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

8 WHEREAS, Tourism is of vital economic and cultural importance to
9 the states and provinces of the Pacific Northwest comprised of
10 Washington, Alaska, Alberta, British Columbia, Idaho, Montana, and
11 Oregon; and

12 WHEREAS, The State and Provincial governments of the Pacific
13 Northwest are members of the Pacific Northwest Economic Region, a
14 nonprofit public-private partnership established to promote regional
15 economic cooperation; and

16 WHEREAS, The States and Provinces of the Pacific Northwest Region
17 expend in excess of \$50 million per year to promote the tourism
18 industry and attract millions of tourists from throughout North America
19 and the World; and

1 WHEREAS, The tourism industry constitutes billions of dollars in
2 economic activity for the States and Provinces of the Pacific Northwest
3 Region; and

4 WHEREAS, The States and Provinces of the Pacific Northwest Economic
5 Region have undertaken numerous collaborative and innovative tourism
6 initiatives that have been successful in promoting tourism in the
7 region and have laid the ground work for ongoing cooperative tourism
8 development efforts; and

9 WHEREAS, Current proposals before Congress to establish a National
10 Tourism Board and a National Tourism Organization to develop a national
11 travel and tourism strategy to promote tourism in the United States is
12 of considerable importance to the States of the Pacific Northwest; and

13 WHEREAS, Participation on the National Tourism Board and the
14 National Tourism Organization is of vital interest and importance to
15 the States of the Pacific Northwest;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully request that a
17 public and a private sector representative of the Pacific Northwest
18 Economic Region be appointed to the National Tourism Board and the
19 National Tourism Organization respectively.

20 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
21 transmitted to the Honorable William J. Clinton, President of the
22 United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker
23 of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the
24 States of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington.

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