

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.2005-4617, by Representatives DeBolt and Ericksen

WHEREAS, There are 210 local Chambers of Commerce in the state of Washington representing approximately 55,000 small businesses which, in turn, employ over 2,800,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, Washington State Chambers raise over \$25,000,000 annually for local community enrichment projects, involving more than 15,000 volunteers who give generously of their time and talent; and

WHEREAS, Washington State Chambers managed in excess of 3,000,000 visitor and relocation inquiries last year, and at the same time served over 35,000 businesses seeking information about locating their companies in our state; and

WHEREAS, Chambers of Commerce across Washington State have served their local communities with distinction, dedication, and dignity, enhancing the state's economy and improving the quality of life for its citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives officially recognize the invaluable work local Chambers of Commerce provide both the economy and the citizens of this state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the United States Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of  
Resolution 4617 adopted by the House of Representatives  
February 9, 2005

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Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk