HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-4642, by Representative Kloba

1 WHEREAS, On the 28th of January, Washingtonians join the nation 2 and over fifty countries in commemorating a day to promote data 3 privacy and data protection practices and awareness; and

4 WHEREAS, Today, nearly everything in our modern world is accessed 5 online; and

6 WHEREAS, Not only do we use the internet to inform and entertain, 7 we rely on the internet to access education, the marketplace, 8 government services, our jobs, and telemedicine; and

9 WHEREAS, Many people do not understand the ways in which their 10 private activities on their computers, phones, and connected devices 11 generate data that is being used and stored digitally, with or 12 without their knowledge; and

13 WHEREAS, Preserved in the Washington state Constitution in Article 14 I, section 7, privacy is stated to be a foundational right of 15 individuals; and

16 WHEREAS, Vast amounts of data about consumers are harvested daily 17 around the globe, and with the collection and processing of this data 18 comes great responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Public agencies in Washington state are accountable for the responsible care and protection of private personal information that they collect and process; and implement principles such as lawful use, purpose limitation, and data minimization to best protect the privacy of Washingtonians; and WHEREAS, Governor Jay Inslee has proclaimed January 28th as Data
Privacy Day in Washington state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives join in commemorating a day to promote data privacy that will encourage Washingtonians to be aware of and take steps to protect their privacy interests and personal information.

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