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1            TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND  
2 TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
3 REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
4 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, The United State personal income tax exemption for each  
9 person has increased only minimally over the last five years, not even  
10 matching the rate of inflation; and

11            WHEREAS, Had the personal exemption kept up with the rate of  
12 inflation it would now be over seven thousand dollars a year for each  
13 worker and dependent; and

14            WHEREAS, Families are having an ever more difficult time providing  
15 for their children; and

16            WHEREAS, Senator Coats and Representative Wolfe have placed before  
17 the United States congress the Tax Fairness Act for Families (HR 1277-

1 S701), which increases the exemption to thirty-five hundred dollars for  
2 each dependent child under eighteen years old;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the United  
4 States Congress pass this family tax act with an exemption for  
5 dependent children of at least thirty-five hundred dollars.

6 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately  
7 transmitted to the Honorable George Bush, President of the United  
8 States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the  
9 House of Representatives, and to each member of Congress from the State  
10 of Washington.