HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 4035

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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, Cable television service is not available in the state of 9 Washington to all persons who desire the service; and

10 WHEREAS, Inadequate cable television service may be due to lack of 11 effective competition in the industry; and

12 WHEREAS, Because of federal preemption of control of the cable 13 television industry, state and local governments have little capability 14 to effect improvements in cable television service; and

WHEREAS, Congressional concern is evident in the filing of a number of bills concerning cable television service;

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the United 2 States Congress enact legislation that would allow state and local 3 governments sufficient authority to mandate improved cable television 4 service.

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