

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 91-4658, by Representatives O'Brien, Wang, R. King, Valle, Wilson, Wineberry, Fuhrman, Prince, Nelson, Jacobsen, Heavey, Inslee and Anderson

WHEREAS, On April 17, 1900, representatives of the United States and chiefs of Samoa respectively entered into agreements whereby the islands of Tutuila, Anunu'u, and Manu'a were ceded to the United States with all sovereign rights; and

WHEREAS, Since that time the peoples of American Samoa and the United States have adhered to the purposes and obligations of the agreements of cession so entered; and

WHEREAS, American Samoans who have moved to the mainland, including Washington State, have become outstanding citizens, sharing their culture and talents; and

WHEREAS, Many of the American Samoans who have moved to south Seattle, Fort Lewis, Shelton, and Tacoma reaffirm their allegiance to the United States by celebrating April 17, commemorating the day the American Flag first flew over their homeland; and

WHEREAS, 1991 is the 91st Anniversary of the signing of the treaties and friendship between our cultures and communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives celebrate this occasion by recognizing April 17, 1991, as Samoan Flag Day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the leaders of the Samoan community in King and Pierce Counties.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4658 adopted by the House of Representatives
April 17, 1991.

Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk,
House of Representatives

John L. O'Brien,
Speaker Pro Tempore