HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 91-4666, by Representatives Basich, Morris, Wynne, R. Fisher, Nelson, Hine, Franklin, Cooper, Braddock,

R. Meyers, Jones and Day, Dellwo, Beck, Rust, Haugen, Wilson, Orr, Schmidt, Betrozoff, Chandler, Bowman and Anderson

WHEREAS, Bicycling is an enjoyable activity that offers the individuals and families of Washington numerous benefits; and

WHEREAS, Washington state offers exceptional bicycle touring opportunities, attracting tens of thousands of riders from all over the world each year to explore our scenic roads and trails; and

WHEREAS, Bicycling is an inexpensive, energy-efficient, and nonpolluting form of mobility that can often be as an alternative to motor vehicle transportation; and

WHEREAS, Bicycling can provide relief from urban traffic congestion, automobile parking demand, and other transportation problems; and

WHEREAS, Washington state has been a leader in the development of public recreation trails, with hundreds of miles of existing trails, such as the urban trail system in King County and the John Wayne Trail across rural Eastern Washington; and

WHEREAS, Bicycle events such as the Cascade Bicycle Club's Seattle to Portland ride and the American Lung Association's Tri-Island Treks provide enjoyment for thousands of bicyclists each year and help raise funds for important activities; and

WHEREAS, Seattle, Redmond, and Yakima have hosted important national and international bicycle racing events, including the National Championships and Olympic Trials and Pan-American Game races; and

WHEREAS, Washington state communities have demonstrated leadership in promoting bicycle safety and bicycle helmet use, through cooperative efforts such as the Cascade Bicycle Safety Education program, Washington State Patrol traffic safety education, and Sprocketperson presentations; and

WHEREAS, The Capital Bicycling Club is host to the 1991 League of American Wheelmen National Rally in Olympia, which will attract hundreds of bicyclists from throughout North America to experience the joys of riding in Washington; and

WHEREAS, Bicycling brings families together and offers children delight and a chance to learn important physical skills, traffic safety habits, and the independence and responsibility that comes from traveling under their own power;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognizes the benefits of bicycling and encourages the people of Washington state to enjoy bicycling; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourages state and local officials, agencies, and public bodies to accommodate, encourage, and assist bicyclists whenever possible, and to encourage bicycle safety, and to recognize the rights and responsibilities of bicyclists to lawfully use the roads and trails of Washington.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4666 adopted by the House of Representatives
April 23, 1991.

Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives