CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 5678

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NATIONAL GUARD DAY

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Passed by the Senate April 22, 1991 Yeas 45 Nays 0

JOEL PRITCHARD

President of the Senate

Passed by the House April 15, 1991 Yeas 88 Nays 0

JOE KING

Speaker of the
House of Representatives

Approved May 3, 1991

CERTIFICATE

I, Gordon Golob, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5678** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

GORDON A. GOLOB

Secretary

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BOOTH GARDNER
Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senators Thorsness, Madsen, Rasmussen, Hayner, Newhouse, Erwin, A. Smith, L. Kreidler, Williams, Saling, Cantu, Sutherland, Owen, Johnson and Oke.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to a day of commemoration for the national guard;
- 2 amending RCW 1.16.050; and creating a new section.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the
- 5 Washington army and air national guard comprise almost nine thousand
- 6 dedicated men and women who serve the state and nation on a voluntary
- 7 basis. The legislature also finds that the state of Washington
- 8 benefits from that dedication by immediate access to well-prepared
- 9 resources in time of natural disasters and public emergency. The
- 10 national guard has consistently and frequently responded to state and
- 11 local emergencies with people and equipment to provide enforcement
- 12 assistance, medical services, and overall support to emergency
- 13 management services.
- 14 The legislature further declares that an annual day of
- 15 commemoration should be observed in honor of the achievements,

- 1 sacrifices, and dedication of the men and women of the Washington army
- 2 and air national guard.
- 3 Sec. 2. RCW 1.16.050 and 1989 c 128 s 1 are each amended to read
- 4 as follows:
- 5 The following are legal holidays: Sunday; the first day of
- 6 January, commonly called New Year's Day; the third Monday of January,
- 7 being celebrated as the anniversary of the birth of Martin Luther King,
- 8 Jr.; the third Monday of February to be known as Presidents' Day and to
- 9 be celebrated as the anniversary of the births of Abraham Lincoln and
- 10 George Washington; the last Monday of May, commonly known as Memorial
- 11 Day; the fourth day of July, being the anniversary of the Declaration
- 12 of Independence; the first Monday in September, to be known as Labor
- 13 Day; the eleventh day of November, to be known as Veterans' Day; the
- 14 fourth Thursday in November, to be known as Thanksgiving Day; the day
- 15 immediately following Thanksgiving Day; and the twenty-fifth day of
- 16 December, commonly called Christmas Day.
- 17 Employees of the state and its political subdivisions, except
- 18 employees of school districts and except those nonclassified employees
- 19 of institutions of higher education who hold appointments or are
- 20 employed under contracts to perform services for periods of less than
- 21 twelve consecutive months, shall be entitled to one paid holiday per
- 22 calendar year in addition to those specified in this section. Each
- 23 employee of the state or its political subdivisions may select the day
- 24 on which the employee desires to take the additional holiday provided
- 25 for herein after consultation with the employer pursuant to guidelines
- 26 to be promulgated by rule of the appropriate personnel authority, or in
- 27 the case of local government by ordinance or resolution of the
- 28 legislative authority.

- 1 If any of the above specified state legal holidays are also federal
- 2 legal holidays but observed on different dates, only the state legal
- 3 holidays shall be recognized as a paid legal holiday for employees of
- 4 the state and its political subdivisions except that for port districts
- 5 and the law enforcement and public transit employees of municipal
- 6 corporations, either the federal or the state legal holiday, but in no
- 7 case both, may be recognized as a paid legal holiday for employees.
- 8 Whenever any legal holiday, other than Sunday, falls upon a Sunday,
- 9 the following Monday shall be the legal holiday.
- 10 Whenever any legal holiday falls upon a Saturday, the preceding
- 11 Friday shall be the legal holiday.
- 12 Nothing in this section shall be construed to have the effect of
- 13 adding or deleting the number of paid holidays provided for in an
- 14 agreement between employees and employers of political subdivisions of
- 15 the state or as established by ordinance or resolution of the local
- 16 government legislative authority.
- 17 The legislature declares that the twelfth day of October shall be
- 18 recognized as Columbus Day but shall not be considered a legal holiday
- 19 for any purposes.
- The legislature declares that the ninth day of April shall be
- 21 recognized as former prisoner of war recognition day but shall not be
- 22 considered a legal holiday for any purposes.
- 23 The legislature declares that the twenty-sixth day of January shall
- 24 be recognized as Washington army and air national guard day but shall
- 25 <u>not be considered a legal holiday for any purposes.</u>

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