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By Representatives Locke, R. Fisher, Horn, Anderson, Wineberry, I. Ballasiotes, Thibaudeau, Eide, Flemming, Jacobsen and Ogden

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1            TO THE HONORABLE DUANE BERENTSON, SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, AND  
2 TO THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, AND TO THE  
3 WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

4            We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of  
5 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully  
6 represent and petition as follows:

7            WHEREAS, Homer M. Hadley was an innovative engineer who worked to  
8 expand transportation access to the east side of Lake Washington in the  
9 1920's and 1930's; and

10           WHEREAS, His idea to design and construct a concrete floating  
11 bridge across Lake Washington conquered every technological challenge  
12 of the day; and

13           WHEREAS, Despite skepticism and opposition, he supplied the  
14 engineering feasibility study for a floating bridge across Lake  
15 Washington; and

16           WHEREAS, His surveying skills, engineering expertise, and  
17 perseverance made possible the eventual siting and construction of the  
18 world's first concrete floating bridge; and

19           WHEREAS, Homer M. Hadley has not been formally recognized for his  
20 contribution and leadership in making the floating bridge a reality;  
21 and

1       WHEREAS, The third Lake Washington bridge, located on Interstate  
2 90, is currently unnamed; and

3       WHEREAS, It is most appropriate for the third Lake Washington  
4 bridge, located on Interstate 90, to be named the Homer M. Hadley  
5 Memorial Bridge;

6       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate and House of  
7 Representatives of the state of Washington recognize, praise, and honor  
8 Homer M. Hadley for his far-reaching contribution to the citizens and  
9 the transportation system of Washington State; and

10       NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the  
11 Washington State Transportation Commission commence proceedings to name  
12 the newly constructed bridge the Homer M. Hadley Memorial Bridge; and

13       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That suitably inscribed copies of this  
14 Memorial be forwarded to the Honorable Duane Berentson, Secretary of  
15 Transportation, the Washington State Transportation commission, and the  
16 Washington State Department of Transportation.

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