

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 4015**

53rd Legislature  
1993 Regular Session

Passed by the House March 15, 1993  
Yeas 97 Nays 0

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**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 7, 1993  
Yeas 41 Nays 0

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**President of the Senate**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 4015** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representatives Veloria, Wineberry, Leonard, Johanson, Wang, Chandler, Miller, Wood, Shin, Quall, Rayburn, J. Kohl, Kessler, Dyer and Anderson)

Read first time 03/03/93.

1            TO THE HONORABLE WARREN CHRISTOPHER, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE  
2 UNITED STATES:

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

6            WHEREAS, There exists a long history of warm relations between the  
7 people of Washington and the Philippines, of personal friendships, and  
8 family ties; and

9            WHEREAS, Washington is greatly honored that the Philippines chose  
10 to open a Consulate in our state; and

11            WHEREAS, The Pacific Northwest and the Philippines are neighbors in  
12 the Pacific Rim with a shared economic future; and

13            WHEREAS, The Philippine Consulate has played a critical role in  
14 trade between the Philippines and Washington State; and

15            WHEREAS, The Philippines conducted over two hundred twenty-five  
16 million dollars worth of waterborne trade with the Port of Seattle in  
17 1991; and

18            WHEREAS, The Philippines are a major buyer of Washington wheat and  
19 other agricultural products; and

20            WHEREAS, Exports from the Philippines to Washington State reached  
21 almost five hundred million dollars in 1991, representing a nearly

1 three hundred million dollar trade surplus in favor of the Philippines;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, The estimated sixty-five thousand Washington State  
4 residents of Philippine descent are closely linked to the Consulate and  
5 raised over thirty-seven thousand dollars for the victims of the Mt.  
6 Pinatubo volcanic eruption; and

7 WHEREAS, The Filipino community in Washington State is growing at  
8 a rate in excess of one thousand persons per year; and

9 WHEREAS, We look forward to the months and years ahead as the  
10 people of the Philippines and Washington continue to build a firm  
11 foundation of business and personal ties to create a better future for  
12 our children;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the United  
14 States Department of State seek through diplomatic efforts to encourage  
15 the Philippine government to allow its Seattle Consulate to remain  
16 open, and to consider downsizing staff and office space to cut costs  
17 instead of closing the Consulate.

18 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately  
19 transmitted to the Honorable Warren Christopher, Secretary of State of  
20 the United States and to His Excellency Fidel Ramos, President of the  
21 Republic of the Philippines.

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