

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 93-4659, by Representatives Basich, Shin, Heavey, Riley, Kessler, Long, Jones, Chandler, Ballard, Morton, Schoesler, Edmondson, Sehlin, Linville, Rust, Wang, Kremen, Rayburn, Zellinsky, Wineberry, Veloria, Quall, Grant, Dunshee, Lemmon, Bray, Brough, Brumsickle, Foreman, Lisk, Thomas and Campbell

WHEREAS, Nearly five years of hard work and dedication is almost complete, as construction of the long-awaited Washington State Korean War Veterans Memorial began this week on the capitol campus; and

WHEREAS, Largely owing to the efforts of The Chosin Few and other concerned veterans, private fund-raising efforts are nearing the goal of the \$250,000 needed for the project; and

WHEREAS, Generous support for the project has come from our State's Korean community, local governments, private businesses, and the general public; and

WHEREAS, Volunteers have given countless hours of their time and effort for a memorial that will pay tribute to the men and women who served in the armed forces in Korea, during a war that has often gone unnoticed and has sometimes been forgotten; and

WHEREAS, The statue is designed by artist Deborah Copenhaver of Spokane and is designed to invite the viewer to contemplate the meaning of war and to acknowledge the personal and supreme sacrifices of veterans; and

WHEREAS, The memorial will remind us and future generations of the sacrifices by the 6 million Americans who served during the Korean War and the 32,964 who lost their lives there; and

WHEREAS, The project specifically provides a permanent memorial for the 473 Washington residents who were killed or declared missing in action during the war; and

WHEREAS, Memorials like these protect the spirit of service, the willingness to sacrifice, and the dedication to freedom that characterized all who sacrifice, and the dedication to freedom that characterized all who served under our flag in Korea; and

WHEREAS, The creation of this monument can truly be described as an act of wisdom and a real labor of love represented by the commitment and dedication of those who are in the gallery with us today and others; and

WHEREAS, Dedication ceremonies for the memorial will be held on July 24, 1993, a date that marks the 40th anniversary of the end of the Korean War;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington recognize the Washington State Korean War Veterans Memorial and the many volunteers who have given so much of themselves to honor and remember those who served our country during that war.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4659 adopted by the House of Representatives
April 22, 1993.

Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk