

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 94-4712, by Representatives Veloria, Wineberry, G. Cole, Jacobsen, J. Kohl and Anderson

WHEREAS, Vincent de la Victoria Bacho was eighty-seven years old when he passed away in his home on February 14th; and

WHEREAS, He was an early pioneer on the farms and in the canneries of the Pacific Northwest; and

WHEREAS, He was born in Tanque, in the province of Cebu, in the Philippines, and emigrated to the United States aboard the S.S. President Cleveland when he was sixteen years old; and

WHEREAS, From the early 1920's he worked as a farmhand up and down the West Coast, and as a foreman in an Alaskan salmon cannery; and

WHEREAS, He eventually earned his certification as an electrical welder, and became highly respected and revered as a forty-year member of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, Lodge No. 289; and

WHEREAS, He fought for the civil rights and liveable working conditions for the cannery workers around the Pacific Northwest region; and

WHEREAS, He was a leader of Seattle's Filipino community and cofounded the Pacific Northwest's only drop-in center for Asian and Pacific Islander elderly, located in Seattle's International District; and

WHEREAS, Through his hard work, commitment, strength, and perseverance he helped to develop and maintain the enduring viability of the Pacific Northwest region's agricultural industries; and

WHEREAS, He was admired throughout his life as a man of principle who worked tirelessly to secure prosperity for his family, community, and fellow workers; and

WHEREAS, He is survived by his wife Reme, sons Norris and Peter, daughter Irma, brother Vic, and grandchildren Anna, Alex, Leslie, and Lindsey;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That on this day, February 21, 1994, we, the members of the Washington State House of Representatives, duly commemorate Vincent de la Victoria Bacho for his exemplary strength of character and his contributions to the agricultural industries of Washington State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Washington State House of Representatives, continue to preserve and cherish his memory by upholding the values of family, community, and hard work; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Vincent de la Victoria Bacho's wife Reme, sons Norris and Peter, daughter Irma, brother Vic, and grandchildren Anna, Alex, Leslie, and Lindsey.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4712 adopted by the House of Representatives
February 28, 1994.

Marilyn Showalter, Chief Clerk