HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.4713, by Representative Sells

WHEREAS, Earnest and hard-working young people in Ira Siebert's fifth-grade class at View Ridge Elementary School in Everett, Washington, are continuing their mission to launch an annual celebration of Marchgivings Day; and

WHEREAS, Founded last year, this View Ridge Elementary School movement is committed to winning national support for a Marchgivings Day observance on March 1 every year; and

WHEREAS, This year's fifth-graders in Mr. Siebert's class at View Ridge Elementary School are pressing forward in their admirable quest to establish a nationwide celebration that will promote kindness, gift-giving, and graciousness (even to one's adversaries); and

WHEREAS, These selfless young people are setting a wonderful example for the rest of us, encouraging a very special observance that emphasizes cooperation, camaraderie, and good fellowship; and

WHEREAS, One has only to review a small sampling of the moving lyrics to the beautiful Marchgivings song to understand the very positive and good-spirited foundation that the View Ridge Elementary School young people have built for their national campaign: "It's not about getting, it's about giving/Marchgivings is a reason for living/Marchgivings, it's good to give/Marchgivings is the time to live YEAH"; and

WHEREAS, A little Marchgivings Day spirit surely promises big, big rewards in one's life at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS, If only this powerful View Ridge Elementary School community spirit and esprit de corps could sweep across our great land, perhaps one day we would see an end to hurtful backbiting, partisan wrangling, and mutually ruinous hostility;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington salute Marchgivings Day, and especially honor the sisterly and brotherly sincerity of the young people in Ira Siebert's fifth-grade class at View Ridge Elementary School; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to View Ridge Elementary School, and to the Everett Public Schools.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4713 adopted by the House of Representatives February 27, 2006

Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk