HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2011-4621, by Representatives Parker, Crouse, Short, and Ahern

WHEREAS, The Washington State House of Representatives recognizes and thanks the Spokane community for responding to an act of domestic terrorism; and

WHEREAS, This act was attempted along the planned route of the Martin Luther King, Jr. parade in downtown Spokane on January 17th; and

WHEREAS, The Spokane community responded diligently to the threat prior to the Martin Luther King, Jr. parade; and

WHEREAS, The House recognizes the heroism of the three Spokane Public Utilities District employees who spotted the suspicious backpack, investigated, and reported the threat to the proper authorities; and

WHEREAS, The House recognizes the two detectives who quickly rerouted the parade in order for the celebration to continue; and

WHEREAS, The House recognizes the Spokane community consisting of city workers, city officials, the Spokane Police Department, and local FBI, who collectively responded to the bomb threat; and

WHEREAS, The House is grateful for the Spokane community's passion, commitment, and love for its fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, The most evident expressions of perseverance were the punctual responses, grateful cooperation, and continued dedication and commitment to find the perpetrator(s) of this act; and

WHEREAS, The Spokane community continues to improve its quality of life by providing service and protection for its citizens and visitors, presenting the opportunity for bonding with family and friends, and promoting people to enjoy Spokane's beautiful activities and resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honors, thanks, and celebrates the Spokane community and those who make it a great, safe place to live.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4621 adopted by the House of Representatives February 11, 2011

Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk