HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2013-4626, by Representative Wilcox

WHEREAS, Consul General Gao Zhansheng, of the People's Republic of China, is retiring; and WHEREAS, The Consul General dedicated years of service to the People's Republic of China in

San Francisco after being born in Beijing in July 1952 and graduating from a university; and

WHEREAS, Consul General Gao had a distinguished career with the People's Republic of China beginning in 1977 that brought a mutual understanding between the American and Chinese people and deepened the bond between the two great countries; and

WHEREAS, The state of Washington has an excellent relationship with the People's Republic of China, and the two are valuable trade partners; and

WHEREAS, Consul General Gao Zhansheng has made the decision to retire. He will leave behind the results of notable partnership efforts between American and Chinese people;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members and staff of the Washington State House of Representatives offer their best wishes for a fulfilling retirement to Consul General Gao Zhansheng;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Consul General Gao Zhansheng.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4626 adopted by the House of Representatives February 26, 2013

Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk