

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

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MEDAL OF VALOR

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BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

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Yeas 97 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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JAY INSLEE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5035** as passed by Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

HUNTER G. GOODMAN

Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Senators Pearson, Kohl-Welles, Hatfield, and Liias; by request of Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of State

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1 AN ACT Relating to the medal of valor; amending RCW 1.60.010,
2 1.60.020, and 1.60.030; and declaring an emergency.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 1.60.010 and 2000 c 224 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 There is established a decoration of the state medal of valor
7 with accompanying certificate, ribbons, and appurtenances for award
8 by the governor, in the name of the state, to any person or group of
9 persons who has or have saved, or attempted to save, the life of
10 another at the risk of serious injury or death to himself or herself,
11 upon the selection of the governor's state medal of valor committee.

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 1.60.020 and 2000 c 224 s 2 are each amended to read
13 as follows:

14 There is created the state medal of valor committee for selecting
15 honorees for the award of the state medal of valor. The committee
16 membership consists of the governor, president of the senate, speaker
17 of the house of representatives, and the chief justice of the supreme
18 court, or their designees. The secretary of state shall serve as a
19 nonvoting ex officio member, and shall serve as secretary to the
20 committee. The committee shall meet annually to consider candidates

1 for this award. Any individual may nominate any resident or group of
2 residents of this state for any act of valor covered by this section.
3 The committee shall adopt rules establishing the qualifications for
4 the state medal of valor, the protocol governing the decoration, the
5 certificate, and appurtenances necessary to the implementation of
6 this chapter.

7 **Sec. 3.** RCW 1.60.030 and 2000 c 224 s 3 are each amended to read
8 as follows:

9 (1) The award will be presented by the governor of the state of
10 Washington to the recipient or recipients only during a joint session
11 of both houses of the legislature.

12 (2) If the governor is unable to present the award due to the
13 disability or illness of the governor, the governor may delegate the
14 presenting of the award to the president of the senate, the speaker
15 of the house of representatives, or the chief justice of the supreme
16 court.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate
18 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of
19 the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes
20 effect immediately.

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