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TO THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, AND TO 1 THE 2 HONORABLE SECRETARY THE OF WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF 3 TRANSPORTATION, ТО THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT AND OF TRANSPORTATION: 4

5 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of 6 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, 7 respectfully represent and petition as follows:

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a pivotal figure in 9 American history and the Civil Rights Movement, advocating for 10 justice, equality, and nonviolent protest in the face of systemic 11 racism and discrimination; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. King's leadership and commitment to social justice 13 helped to end segregation, secure voting rights, and promote civil 14 liberties for all citizens, leaving a lasting legacy of equality and 15 human rights; and

16 WHEREAS, The extension of Martin Luther King, Jr. Way is a symbol 17 of the community and unity of the surrounding communities, and is an 18 appropriate way to honor the life and contributions of Dr. King;

NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the Washington State Transportation Commission commence proceedings to extend the naming of Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, as a memorial to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., along state route number 900 from the westerly city limits of Renton to the junction with state route number 515, and then continuing the entirety of state route number 515 between the junction with state route number 900 and the junction with state route number 516.

BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately transmitted to the Washington State Transportation Commission, the Honorable Secretary of the Washington State Department of Transportation, and the Washington State Department of Transportation.

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