HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2026-4694, by Representatives Abell and Shavers

WHEREAS, The citizens of Washington state honor, appreciate, and remember our Navy personnel; and

WHEREAS, The Washington state House of Representatives honor military members in Washington, the United States, and across the globe; and

WHEREAS, Washington is uniquely positioned to help address challenges in the Pacific and in Asia; and

WHEREAS, Washington has been a historically significant location for Navy installations; and

WHEREAS, The state of Washington is the location of one naval base, two naval stations, and a naval hospital; and

WHEREAS, Washington state houses aircraft carriers, multiple surface ships, numerous submarines, and hundreds of aircraft; and

WHEREAS, The residents of Washington include tens of thousands of Navy personnel; and

WHEREAS, Navy installations inject billions of dollars into local economies; and

WHEREAS, Washington state Navy installations are recognized for environmental stewardship successes and continue to actively assist in partnership efforts statewide; and

WHEREAS, The Navy has worked to improve salmon recovery, support southern resident orca recovery, increase orca food supply, conserve energy and water, conduct and invest hundreds of millions of dollars

in marine species research, restore and protect critical habitats from development, mitigate ocean acidification, and invest in renewable energy; and

WHEREAS, Washington state naval installations consistently receive awards for the quality of life they provide to service members and family members; and

WHEREAS, Navy personnel and installations are woven into the fabric of our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington state House of Representatives hereby recognize the service and sacrifice of Navy personnel, and celebrate the contributions of the Navy, its service members, and their families here in Washington state.

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