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1 TO THE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON CITIES, THE WASHINGTON STATE
2 ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, THE WASHINGTON STATE FAMILY CHILDCARE
3 ASSOCIATION, AND MEMBERS OF APPROPRIATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES:

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

7 WHEREAS, There exists a need for affordable, good quality, licensed
8 family day care in all areas of the state; and

9 WHEREAS, The Legislature recognizes that the provision of licensed
10 family day care is an issue of state-wide importance; and

11 WHEREAS, The Legislature recognizes that the siting of licensed
12 family day care facilities is currently a local land-use issue; and

13 WHEREAS, Local governments should be encouraged to facilitate the
14 siting of licensed family day care facilities to meet the demand for
15 child care services; and

1 WHEREAS, In 1989, the Legislature directed the State Department of
2 Community Development to conduct a study on the role that local zoning
3 regulations play on the need and demand for licensed family day care
4 facilities; and

5 WHEREAS, The study provided local governments with a model
6 ordinance for the siting of licensed day care facilities; and

7 WHEREAS, There exists a need to conduct a survey to assess local
8 government zoning regulation of licensed family day care facilities and
9 to determine the number of local governments that have revised their
10 zoning regulations, as a result of the model ordinance, to facilitate
11 the siting of licensed family day care facilities;

12 NOW, THEREFORE, The Legislature urges that the Association of
13 Washington Cities, the Washington State Association of Counties, and
14 the Washington State Family Childcare Association conduct a survey of
15 local government zoning regulations and the siting of licensed family
16 day care facilities; and

17 BE IT RESOLVED, That the findings and recommendations based on the
18 survey be submitted in a written report by December 1, 1992, to the
19 House of Representatives and the Senate; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the written report contain
21 recommendations on administrative changes needed to facilitate the
22 siting of licensed family day care facilities at the local level; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this memorial be immediately
24 transmitted to the Association of Washington Cities, the Washington
25 State Association of Counties, the Washington State Family Childcare
26 Association, and members of the appropriate legislative committees.