HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 91-4636, by Representatives Wineberry, Wynne, Ebersole, Ballard, Anderson, Appelwick, Basich, Beck, Belcher, Betrozoff, Bowman, Braddock, Bray, Brekke, Broback, Brough, Brumsickle, Cantwell, Casada, Chandler, Cole, Cooper, Day, Dellwo, Dorn, Edmondson, Ferguson, G. Fisher, R. Fisher, Forner, Franklin, Fraser, Fuhrman, Grant, Hargrove, Haugen, Heavey, Hine, Hochstatter, Holland, Horn, Inslee, Jacobsen, P. Johnson, R. Johnson, Jones, J. King, R. King, Kremen, Leonard, Lisk, Locke, Ludwig, May, McLean, R. Meyers, Mielke, Miller, Mitchell, Morris, Morton, Moyer, H. Myers, Nealey, Neher, Nelson, O'Brien, Ogden, Orr, Padden, Paris, Peery, Phillips, Prentice, Prince, Pruitt, Rasmussen, Rayburn, Riley, Roland, Rust, Schmidt, Scott, Sheldon, Silver, D. Sommers, H. Sommers, Spanel, Sprenkle, Tate, Valle, Vance, Van Luven, Wang, Wilson, Winsley, Wood, and Zellinsky

WHEREAS, President George Bush declared a cease-fire for all Allied forces in the Persian Gulf on Wednesday, February 27, 1991, thus bringing to an end the ground war with Iraq; and

WHEREAS, President Bush received communications from Saddam Hussein of Hussein's agreement to abide by all twelve United Nations resolutions; and

WHEREAS, Allied troops, including over five hundred thousand American men and women, united in their conviction to halt Saddam Hussein's unprovoked aggression against a sovereign nation, put their lives on the line to liberate Kuwait; and

WHEREAS, Over eight thousand American soldiers from Washington State, who either served in or supported Operation Desert Storm, will soon be coming home, and they deserve a warm, loving, heartfelt reception upon their return; and

WHEREAS, The brilliantly planned assault by Allied air, sea, and ground forces brought about a swift victory over Iraq, which prevented excessive casualties and deaths on both sides of the conflict; and

WHEREAS, By this victory the United States and the United Nations seek peace and security in the Middle East; and

WHEREAS, The entire nation and the people of Washington State salute and acknowledge the sacrifice, bravery, and dedication displayed by our troops during Operation Desert Storm; and

WHEREAS, Every level of government and the private sector stands ready to assist and provide for these Washington State soldiers and their families, especially the families of those who lost their lives in the Persian Gulf; and

WHEREAS, These returning troops have earned the highest dignity and respect this nation, this state, and its people can bestow upon them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives with this resolution, does hereby honor the brave men and women who served Washington State and our country with distinction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives extends its utmost gratitude to our returning troops by working to build a better Washington for those soldiers and their families to call "home"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted and circulated by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the returning Operation Desert Storm participants and their families.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4636 adopted by the House of Representativ March 4, 1991.	es
Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives	