<u>HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 93-4652</u>, by Representatives Ogden, Pruitt, Jacobsen, Wood, Edmondson, Thomas, Vance, Lisk, Carlson, J. Kohl, Chandler, Casada, Reams, Foreman, Fuhrman, Sehlin, Talcott, Stevens, Brumsickle, Padden, Morton, Ballasiotes, Mielke, Long, Sheahan, Miller, Van Luven, Brough, Schoesler, Dyer, Horn, Forner and Anderson

WHEREAS, Fifty-eight percent of the adults and fifty-three percent of youth in Washington unselfishly give an average of two hours of their time each week to improve the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of volunteers of all ages contribute their skills, resources, and energy, without charge, to medical, religious, cultural, environmental, and other areas of service throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Volunteers are essential partners with government and industry in providing services to our communities; and

WHEREAS, Washington's schools benefit from volunteers who tutor, monitor, and contribute many other services to enhance the learning environment for students of all ages; and

WHEREAS, In health care and other social and human services, volunteers provide important and compassionate assistance as support for people with AIDS, crisis intervention counselors, candy stripers, foster parents, community food bank workers, and in a multitude of other ways; and

WHEREAS, Volunteers ensure public safety by serving as fire fighters, police officers, search and rescue workers, Red Cross volunteers, and mitigate crises in a variety of ways; and

WHEREAS, In the libraries, museums, theaters, and dance troupes, volunteers are involved at all levels to assure responsive, enlightened services, displays, and programs to entertain and teach all citizens; and

WHEREAS, Volunteers across the state have dedicated themselves to protecting and enhancing our environment and natural resources with community services enabling state and local parks and recreation districts to enrich the lives of millions at very low cost; and

WHEREAS, In institutions, citizens volunteer hours to provide advocacy services, friendly visitor programs, recreation, and other means of human support; and

WHEREAS, It is essential that citizens take active roles in their communities so that problems are addressed effectively, communities prosper, and all people, including families and children in difficult circumstances are afforded lives of quality; and

WHEREAS, The volunteers who give of their time and of themselves to improve the quality of life of others set an example for us all and deserve special recognition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives declare April 18-24, 1993, to be Volunteer Recognition Week in the State of Washington, and encourage all citizens to take note of the efforts of volunteers and offer appropriate thanks for a remarkable job well done.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4652 adopted by the House of Representatives April 15, 1993.

Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk