

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 97-4632, by Representatives Johnson, Hickel, Gardner, O'Brien, Blalock, Gombosky, Wood, Dickerson, Dunshee, Smith, Cody, H. Sommers, Kastama, Lantz, Boldt, L. Thomas, Alexander, Talcott, Carlson, Clements, Robertson, McMorris, D. Schmidt, Keiser, Veloria, Bush, Conway, Hatfield, Cooke and Chopp

WHEREAS, The second week of March is Classified School Employee Week in the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, There are 46,000 classified school employees serving the needs of the school children of this state; and

WHEREAS, Classified school employees are instrumental in the fulfilling of this state's paramount responsibility to educate children; and

WHEREAS, Classified school employees are involved in maintaining school buildings and grounds, providing safe transportation to and from schools, keeping school buildings clean and orderly, preparing and serving students a nutritious breakfast and lunch each day, ensuring students have a safe environment in which to learn, interpreting for deaf children and students who speak other languages, and providing numerous other essential services; and

WHEREAS, Classified school employees also make it possible for schools to provide more individualized attention to students in the classroom with the assistance of paraeducators; and

WHEREAS, These dedicated individuals deserve recognition and thanks for the outstanding work they are doing for this state, for their communities, and for the children enrolled in Washington's schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives do hereby honor classified school employees and recognize Classified School Employee Week in the state of Washington.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4632 adopted by the House of Representatives
March 5, 1997.

Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk