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By Senators Loveland, Rasmussen, Prentice, Hale, Prince, Newhouse, Morton, Winsley, Hochstatter, Goings, Zarelli, McCaslin, Sellar and West

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1 TO THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CLINTON, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
2 STATES, AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE
3 OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
4 THE UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED:

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

8 WHEREAS, The Columbia and Snake River dams supply a significant
9 portion of the electrical power for the Pacific Northwest; and

10 WHEREAS, The proposal to breach the dams in order to restore wild
11 salmon runs is based on incomplete and inconclusive data; and

12 WHEREAS, Breaching the dams would have a devastating effect on the
13 economies of river-dependent cities and ports; and

14 WHEREAS, Restoring wild salmon runs will require a long-term,
15 comprehensive approach by all interested parties;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the
17 President and Congress reject any proposals that seek to breach the
18 dams.

19 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
20 transmitted to the Honorable William J. Clinton, President of the
21 United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker

1 of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the
2 State of Washington.

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