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By Senators Bauer, Oke, Haugen, Snyder, Zarelli, Deccio, Eide, Goings, Shin, Hochstatter, Hargrove, Sellar, McCaslin, Rasmussen, Franklin, T. Sheldon, Patterson, Prentice, Thibaudeau, Costa, Winsley and Benton

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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, AND TO SECRETARY RODNEY E.  
5 SLATER, SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, AND TO ADMINISTRATOR KENNETH R.  
6 WYKLE, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION:

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

10 WHEREAS, To ensure that the tragedy of December 7, 1941, at Pearl  
11 Harbor, Hawaii, is not forgotten; and

12 WHEREAS, A memorial to Pearl Harbor would be a fitting way to honor  
13 everyone who has served in the armed forces, in time of peace as well  
14 as war; and

15 WHEREAS, It is highly appropriate to remember those who fought and  
16 died in the battle that brought the United States into World War II;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, United States complacency and isolationist attitudes made  
19 the Pearl Harbor tragedy inevitable; and

20 WHEREAS, A memorial would be about the eternal vigilance needed to  
21 keep America free and prevent such armed conflicts in the future;

1       NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the entire  
2 length of Interstate 90 within the State of Washington be designated a  
3 Memorial Highway to the Battle of Pearl Harbor, with signs erected at  
4 key locations and major interchanges stating, "Battle of Pearl Harbor  
5 Memorial Highway: Honoring All Who Serve, Past and Present, to Keep  
6 America Free."

7       BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately  
8 transmitted to the Honorable William J. Clinton, President of the  
9 United States, Secretary Rodney E. Slater, the Secretary of  
10 Transportation, Administrator Kenneth R. Wykle, the Administrator of  
11 the Federal Highway Administration, the President of the United States  
12 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each member of  
13 Congress from the State of Washington.

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