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By House Committee on Trade & Economic Development (originally sponsored by Representatives Morris, Anderson, Linville, Veloria, Skinner, Quall, Hunt, Cox, Miloscia, Ericksen, McDonald, Pearson and Sullivan)

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1 TO THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, THE UNITED
2 STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE, THE VANCOUVER 2010 BID CORPORATION, THE PRIME
3 MINISTER OF CANADA, AND THE PREMIER OF BRITISH COLUMBIA:

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

7 WHEREAS, The State of Washington has a close cultural, economic,
8 and intergovernmental relationship with the Canadian province of
9 British Columbia; and

10 WHEREAS, This close relationship has been developed further by
11 working together on world class civic events like the 1986 World's Fair
12 in Vancouver B.C. and sharing the economic benefits of such world class
13 events; and

14 WHEREAS, The State of Washington and British Columbia both are
15 members of the Pacific Northwest Economic Region representing the tenth
16 largest economy in the world; and

17 WHEREAS, The 2002 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games in Salt Lake
18 City, Utah, generated over one billion dollars in revenue and spending
19 in the entire western region; and

1 WHEREAS, The region has legacy facilities from world class civic
2 events. These facilities include the Space Needle, BC Place, the sky
3 train, and the monorail to name a few; and

4 WHEREAS, The Pacific Northwest Economic Region as a whole, but
5 particularly tourism, emerging industries, and small businesses, will
6 benefit from an estimated six billion dollars worth of worldwide media
7 attention; and

8 WHEREAS, Benefits accrue in excess of ten years, on a continuing
9 basis, from increased tourism;

10 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully communicate our
11 support for backing Vancouver, British Columbia's bid for the 2010
12 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games.

13 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
14 transmitted to the International Olympic Organizing Committee, the
15 United States Olympic Committee, the Vancouver 2010 Bid Corporation,
16 the Prime Minister of Canada, and the Premier of British Columbia.

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