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By Representatives Halder, Takko and Newhouse

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1 TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,
2 AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
3 REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, AND TO THE HONORABLE SAMUEL W.
5 BODMAN, SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY:

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

9 WHEREAS, The secretary of the United States Department of Energy is
10 required by federal law to establish a next generation nuclear plant
11 project consisting of research, development, design, construction, and
12 operation of a prototype plant, including a nuclear reactor; and

13 WHEREAS, The next generation nuclear plant project established by
14 the secretary of the United States Department of Energy will be used to
15 generate electricity; to produce hydrogen; or to generate electricity
16 and produce hydrogen; and

17 WHEREAS, Next generation nuclear plants, or generation IV nuclear
18 plants, will involve technologies that will provide economic, safety,
19 reliability, and sustainability improvements in current nuclear
20 reactors; and

1 WHEREAS, The Idaho national laboratory has been designated the lead
2 national laboratory for the next generation nuclear plant project to be
3 established by the secretary of the United States Department of Energy;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The Idaho national laboratory is directed to collaborate
6 with other national laboratories, institutions of higher education,
7 other research institutes, industrial researchers, and international
8 researchers to carry out the next generation nuclear plant project; and

9 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Energy's Hanford
10 reservation and the Pacific Northwest national laboratory would also be
11 appropriate locations for work on next generation nuclear plant
12 projects and related technologies;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the United
14 States congress and the secretary of the United States Department of
15 Energy establish a next generation nuclear plant project on the United
16 States Department of Energy's Hanford reservation.

17 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
18 transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United
19 States, the Honorable Samuel W. Bodman, Secretary of the United States
20 Department of Energy, the President of the United States Senate, the
21 Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress
22 from the State of Washington.

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