

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.4677, by Representatives Kessler, Armstrong, Ericks and Nixon

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives of the State of Washington has embarked on a three-year effort to develop a strategic plan to set the direction of and establish the broad general priorities for House administration and operations; and

WHEREAS, As a first step in this effort, the House of Representatives has been working on its mission, vision, and goals statements; and

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives acknowledge and recognize the broad participation of both members and staff in the process of developing its mission, vision, and goals statements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives adopt as its mission: As stewards of the public trust, guided by our state Constitution, the House of Representatives of the State of Washington establishes laws and policies to protect individual rights, provide quality education and other essential services, facilitate economic growth, and preserve quality of life for current and future citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives adopt as its vision: Washington state will be the best place in the world to live, earn a living, raise a family, and retire; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives adopt the following goals:

(1) Increase public participation, understanding, and transparency of the legislative process;  
(2) Enact high quality legislation through debate and collaboration that is thoughtful and responsive, and honors our diverse citizenry;

(3) Continuously evaluate and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of all legislative operations;

(4) Recruit and retain highly motivated, competent, and creative staff;

(5) Invest in member and staff professional development; and

(6) Maintain and enforce the highest ethical standards in an impartial and consistent manner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to all members and staff of the House of Representatives.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of  
Resolution 4677 adopted by the House of Representatives  
January 18, 2006

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Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk