

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.4684, by Representatives Appleton and Springer

WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, the United States of America was attacked by terrorists, resulting in the tragic loss of and injury to thousands of Americans; and

WHEREAS, The arts industry has played a substantial role in helping to bring about healing for numerous individuals and families as they reflect upon the tragedy of the terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, Glassblowing artist Renee Pound and fellow artists Lenoard Whitfield, Ken Christensen, Natalie Zundel, and Jon Harvey of the Seattle-based Art by Fire Gallery established the 9-11 Sea Float Project as an annual event uniting artists, the community, and media in remembrance of the victims of the September 11th attacks; and

WHEREAS, The artists of the Art by Fire Gallery create nine hundred eleven individually blown glass sea floats inscribed with the words "Never Forget 9-11," and scatter the floats in a park in Puget Sound; and

WHEREAS, The 9-11 Sea Float Project invites Puget Sound residents on September 11th to search for and collect the commemorative floats as a tribute to the victims of the terrorist attack; and

WHEREAS, The 9-11 Sea Float Project is a unique, all-volunteer effort that brings together strangers in the community to reflect on the events of September 11th;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize and honor the artistry and grace of the 9-11 Sea Float Project and the artists of the Art by Fire Gallery for their creative and continuing contribution to the Puget Sound community's remembrance of the events of September 11, 2001; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Renee Pound and the artists of the Art by Fire Gallery.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4684 adopted by the House of Representatives
January 30, 2006

Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk