## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.4677, by Representatives DeBolt, Hankins, and Skinner

WHEREAS, There are over 210 local Chambers of Commerce in the state of Washington representing approximately 60,000 small businesses that employ over 2,900,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, Washington State Chambers of Commerce raise over 30,000,000 dollars annually for local community enrichment projects, involving more than 15,000 volunteers who generously give their time and talent; and

WHEREAS, Washington State Chambers of Commerce manage more than 3,000,000 visitor and relocation inquiries each year, and at the same time serve over 40,000 businesses that seek information about expanding their companies in our state; and

WHEREAS, Chambers of Commerce across Washington state have served their local communities with distinction, dedication, and dignity, enhancing the state's economy and improving the quality of life for its citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington officially recognize the invaluable work that local Chambers of Commerce provide to both the economy and citizens of this state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the United States Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4677 adopted by the House of Representatives January 30, 2008

Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk