

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2015-4614, by Representatives Chopp, Kristiansen, Appleton, Bergquist, Blake, Buys, Caldier, Carlyle, Chandler, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, DeBolt, Dent, Dunshee, Fagan, Farrell, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Goodman, Gregerson, Gregory, Griffey, Haler, Hansen, Hargrove, Harmsworth, Harris, Hawkins, Hayes, Holy, Hudgins, G. Hunt, S. Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jinkins, Johnson, Kagi, Kilduff, Kirby, Klippert, Kochmar, Kretz, Lytton, MacEwen, Magendanz, Manweller, McBride, McCabe, McCaslin, Moeller, Morris, Moscoso, Muri, Nealey, Orcutt, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Orwall, Parker, Peterson, Pettigrew, Pike, Pollet, Reykdal, Riccelli, Robinson, Rodne, Ryu, Santos, Sawyer, Schmick, Scott, Sells, Senn, Shea, Short, Smith, Springer, Stambaugh, Stanford, Stokesbary, Sullivan, Takko, Tarleton, Taylor, Tharinger, Van De Wege, Van Werven, Vick, Walkinshaw, Walsh, Wilcox, Wilson, Wylie, Young, and Zeiger

1 WHEREAS, Washington State and the nation have set aside the third
2 Monday of every February to celebrate George Washington's and Abraham
3 Lincoln's birthdays, as both of these presidents were born in
4 February; and

5 WHEREAS, George Washington, the first president of the United
6 States of America, leader of the rebel forces against Britain in the
7 Revolutionary War, and signer of the Constitution of the United
8 States of America is celebrated on Presidents Day for his birthday;
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10 WHEREAS, Abraham Lincoln, the sixteenth president of the United
11 States of America, leader of the nation in the Civil War, ender of
12 slavery with the Emancipation Proclamation, and writer of the iconic
13 Gettysburg Address is also celebrated on Presidents Day for his
14 birthday; and

15 WHEREAS, This is also a day to remember the first ladies who have
16 aided our presidents to serve in the past, each one playing her part
17 in guiding and setting an excellent example of how a strong and
18 courageous woman should be seen; and

19 WHEREAS, It is recognized that this wonderful diverse land,
20 stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific, is filled with proud
21 Americans who honor those leaders from our past two hundred thirty-
22 eight years as a nation; and

23 WHEREAS, Our federal government began the honoring of our
24 presidents with Presidents Day starting in July of 1968 when the
25 "Monday Holidays Act" was enacted; and

26 WHEREAS, The forebearers of this nation worked tirelessly to
27 ensure that we live in a free nation, away from the tyranny of evil,
28 under our own choices, and ruled by those elected to serve the
29 residents of this powerful nation; and

30 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives recognize Presidents Day as
31 a day to remember how our nation is led and what impacts those great
32 leaders have had on our proud nation;

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That on this sixteenth day of
34 February, 2015, the House of Representatives honor the first and

1 sixteenth presidents of the United States for their immeasurable
2 contributions to, and noble sacrifices for, the causes of liberty,
3 equality, and justice.

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5 I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
6 Resolution 4614 adopted by the House of Representatives
7 February 16, 2015
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Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk