

SENATE RESOLUTION

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By Senators Bailey, Rolfes, Wagoner, and Hasegawa

1 WHEREAS, The citizens of Washington state have set aside this day
2 to honor, appreciate, and remember our Navy personnel; and

3 WHEREAS, The Washington State Senate has always acted to honor
4 those who have served and are serving our country as members of the
5 United States military; and

6 WHEREAS, The Navy is the military service that secures sea lanes,
7 allowing free flow of commerce to and from our state, and the service
8 whose power projection promotes stability for our friends and deters
9 aggression from our foes; and

10 WHEREAS, Washington state naval bases consistently receive awards
11 for the quality of life they provide to sailors and family members;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, Washington state is uniquely positioned, politically,
14 economically, and geographically, to deal with the opportunities and
15 challenges presented by Asia and the Pacific Rim countries; and

16 WHEREAS, Washington state Navy bases support two aircraft
17 carriers, more than five surface ships, thirteen submarines, and 144
18 aircraft; and

19 WHEREAS, Washington state Navy installations provide careers and
20 economic stability to tens of thousands of Washington state citizens;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Washington state Navy installations have also received
23 environmental stewardship awards from local, state, and federal

1 agencies, and are recognized as models for other military facilities;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Washington state-based Navy personnel and assets
4 regularly deploy around the world to deter aggression, relieve the
5 distressed, and aid America's friends and allies;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate
7 celebrate the Navy and bring warm greetings and many thanks to each
8 and every person related to the Navy's work and mission in our state.

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