

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-4639, by Representatives Jenkins, Wilcox, Abbarno, Barkis, Bateman, Berg, Bergquist, Berry, Boehnke, Bronoske, Caldier, Callan, Chambers, Chandler, Chapman, Chase, Chopp, Cody, Corry, Davis, Dent, Dolan, Donaghy, Duerr, Dufault, Dye, Entenman, Eslick, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Gilday, Goehner, Goodman, Graham, Gregerson, Griffey, Hackney, Hansen, Harris, Harris-Talley, Hoff, Jacobsen, J. Johnson, Kirby, Klicker, Klippert, Kloba, Kraft, Kretz, Leavitt, Lekanoff, MacEwen, Macri, Maycumber, McCaslin, McEntire, Morgan, Mosbrucker, Orcutt, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Orwall, Paul, Peterson, Pollet, Ramel, Ramos, Riccelli, Robertson, Rude, Rule, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Sells, Senn, Shewmake, Simmons, Slatter, Springer, Steele, Stokesbary, Stonier, Sullivan, Sutherland, Taylor, Thai, Tharinger, Valdez, Vick, Volz, Walen, Walsh, Wicks, Wylie, Ybarra, and Young

1 WHEREAS, The Washington National Guard is a vital tool for
2 helping Washington state manage and respond to the emergencies and
3 natural disasters at home and abroad. A strong National Guard ensures
4 an operational resource and a strategic reserve for our active duty
5 military branches in roles overseas, as well as adapting to complex
6 missions domestically; and

7 WHEREAS, The Washington National Guard is made up of more than
8 8,000 citizen soldiers and airmen who continuously strive in their
9 efforts to protect the property and economy of Washington State and
10 her citizens; and

11 WHEREAS, These citizen soldiers and airmen, who reside in every
12 legislative district, exemplify leadership through their sacrifice of
13 time and energy, in service to the protection of Washington State,
14 her citizens, and their property, and in doing so these dedicated
15 people demonstrate the vitality of the great tradition of sacrifice
16 and service to State and Nation that characterize the Washington
17 National Guard; and

18 WHEREAS, The National Guard continues to answer the state's call-
19 in response to domestic emergency relief efforts, providing flood
20 relief for the citizens of Western Washington, fighting wildfires in
21 Eastern Washington, providing needed assistance following snowstorms
22 in Leavenworth, supporting citizens during the continued COVID-19
23 pandemic, and protecting the public and property from undue harm; and

