

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-4661, by Representatives Kraft, Chambers, Goehner, Chase, Graham, Rule, Orcutt, Boehnke, Orwall, Schmick, Robertson, Hoff, Walsh, Dent, Pollet, Volz, Leavitt, Klippert, Eslick, Dufault, and Sutherland

1 WHEREAS, Countless law enforcement men and women freely put
2 themselves in harm's way each day to ensure the protection of
3 Washington's citizens; and

4 WHEREAS, Law enforcement officers exemplify leadership,
5 selflessness, sacrifice, and honor; and

6 WHEREAS, When a law enforcement officer makes the ultimate
7 sacrifice, it cuts to the heart of their community, inflicting
8 unforeseeable pain and loss not only to the family of the fallen
9 officer, but to the lives these men and women have touched; and

10 WHEREAS, The communities and people affected by such a loss come
11 together in support of the families, friends, and loved ones of these
12 fallen heroes, who in their passing, bring together and strengthen
13 their communities one last time; and

14 WHEREAS, A member of Vancouver's law enforcement community and a
15 member of Clark County's law enforcement community have given their
16 lives in the line of duty within the past year; and

17 WHEREAS, Eight members of Washington State's law enforcement
18 community made the ultimate sacrifice in 2021 and 2022:

19 Officer Donald Sahota, 52, ended his 28-year career
20 in law enforcement and seven-year watch for the
21 Vancouver Police Department on January 29, 2022, and
22 is survived by his wife and two children;

1 Sergeant Jeremy Brown, 46, ended his 15-year watch
2 for the Clark County Sheriff's Office on July 23,
3 2021, and is survived by his wife, five children, and
4 three siblings;

5 Corrections Officer Darryl L. Goodrich, Jr., 49,
6 ended his 10-year career of law enforcement and one-
7 year watch for the Washington State Department of
8 Corrections on August 20, 2021, and is survived by
9 his wife, three children, father, and two brothers;

10 Trooper Eric Gunderson, 38, ended his 15-year watch
11 for the Washington State Patrol on September 26,
12 2021, and is survived by his wife and two sons;

13 Corrections Officer Gabriel K. Forrest, 42, ended his
14 19-year watch for the Washington State Department of
15 Corrections on June 17, 2021, and is survived by his
16 daughter, parents, four siblings, and many nieces and
17 nephews;

18 Officer Alexandra "Lexi" Harris, 38, ended her five-
19 year watch for the Seattle Police Department on June
20 13, 2021, and is survived by her parents, brother,
21 and fiancé and his two daughters;

22 Officer Cesar Sibonga, 63, ended his 18-year watch
23 for the United States Customs and Border Protection
24 on February 7, 2021, and is survived by his wife and
25 two sons; and

26 Officer Jay Hughes, 64, ended his 44-year watch for
27 the Kalispel Tribal Police Department on January 6,
28 2021, and is survived by his wife, four children, 12
29 grandchildren, and one great-grandson;

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives
31 recognize each of these men and women who exemplified duty, honor,
32 and selflessness to their country, state, and communities with their
33 sacrifice; and

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the mothers, fathers, sons,
35 daughters, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, and loved ones of these

1 fallen heroes have joined a community of Honored Survivors, whose
2 sacrifice can never be repaid in kind; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
4 immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of
5 Representatives to the Honored Survivor families recorded herein.

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