

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2023-4622, by Representatives Bronoske and Leavitt

1 WHEREAS, Fumiko Kimura, a longtime 28th legislative district
2 resident, has selflessly and compassionately dedicated her long life
3 in Pierce County to the creation and development of Asian-inspired
4 art; and

5 WHEREAS, Fumiko has been a strong leader in art education in the
6 community and has played a key role in expanding art awareness within
7 the Puget Sound region, more specifically awareness for Sumi painting
8 and calligraphy; and

9 WHEREAS, Fumiko earned her master's degree in art education from
10 the University of Puget Sound, and her artwork has been admired by
11 many, collected by Microsoft, the Tacoma Art Museum, the Pierce
12 County Library, Columbia Bank, the University of Puget Sound, and
13 others; and

14 WHEREAS, Now past 90 years old, Fumiko is the only living
15 founding member of the Puget Sound Sumi Artists Association, which
16 was founded in 1986; and

17 WHEREAS, Fumiko and other artists founded the Puget Sound Sumi
18 Artists Association with a mission to: "Encourage the advancement of
19 artistry in sumi painting and related work in Asian brush
20 calligraphy, and foster appreciation of sumi and brush calligraphy
21 art in the community through exhibitions, demonstrations, and by
22 teaching in schools and other venues;" and

