

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2021-4624, by Representatives Chambers, Boehnke, Mosbrucker, Leavitt, Schmick, Jacobsen, Walsh, Ryu, Wicks, Fitzgibbon, Lovick, Slatter, Caldier, Robertson, Walen, Graham, Klippert, Dolan, Barkis, Dent, and Hoff

1 WHEREAS, The Washington State House of Representatives, on behalf
2 of a grateful people, recognize our unsung heroes, Long-Term Care
3 Providers, a group of committed individuals who in the face of great
4 adversity, the COVID pandemic, have dedicated their life's work to
5 our most vulnerable populations, those who reside in long-term care
6 settings or receive long-term care services. Long-Term Care Providers
7 serve in varying capacities and provide care and relief in our
8 nursing homes, adult family homes, in-home care, assisted and
9 independent living facilities throughout our State; and

10 WHEREAS, When the world shut down, some settled in to work from
11 the security of their homes, Long-Term Care Providers suited up for
12 duty and through great acts of inventiveness, created safety gear,
13 took on other duties as assigned, and committed to care for those who
14 could no longer care for themselves. We salute the thousands of loyal
15 health care providers in Washington State and throughout our country;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Despite the fear of peril, personal safety, and well-
18 being, Long-Term Care Workers went into the very epicenter of the
19 COVID pandemic and nurtured those who were affected by COVID-19 and
20 those most vulnerable and protected the defenseless from contracting
21 the virus; and

22 WHEREAS, Despite the uncertainty posed by a novel and virulent
23 Coronavirus, Long-Term Care Workers continued to selflessly report

1 for duty to care for our most vulnerable, often working in less than
2 desirable conditions and encountering long hours and working
3 conditions never before imagined; and

4 WHEREAS, Long-Term Care Providers courageously provided emotional
5 support to frightened residents and family members alike, quelling
6 their fears in the face of adversity, standing in the gap when they
7 could not see their loved ones all the while quietly fighting their
8 own personal battles with the fallout of the pandemic; and

9 WHEREAS, Long-Term Care Providers are a shining example of
10 selfless caring and devotion for those they serve and support.
11 Counting others needs greater than their own, they are driven by
12 knowing that they fight for a work and for a cause that is sometimes
13 lost and forgotten; and

14 WHEREAS, Washington state, our country, and the world are better
15 places for having Long-Term Care Providers here, loving and caring
16 for those in Long-Term Care settings, they are a shining example for
17 those who might follow in their footsteps;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of
19 Representatives, on behalf of the people of the State of Washington,
20 recognize and honor the life, work, and sacrifice of Long-Term Care
21 Providers.

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