HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2023-4637, by Representatives Taylor, Ryu, Schmidt, Leavitt, Chapman, Duerr, Pollet, Caldier, Paul, Kloba, Macri, and Callan

- 1 WHEREAS, Many Washington citizens have literally given the gift 2 of life by donating organs, eyes, and tissues; and
- WHEREAS, It is essential that all citizens are aware of the opportunity to save and heal the lives of others through organ, eye, and tissue donation and transplantation; and
- WHEREAS, There are nearly one hundred six thousand courageous
  Americans awaiting a life-saving organ transplant, with twenty-two
  individuals losing their lives every day because of the shortage of
  organs for transplant; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Every ten minutes, a person is added to the national 11 organ transplant waiting list; and
- 12 WHEREAS, One organ donor can save the lives of up to eight people 13 and heal many more through cornea and tissue donation; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Families receive comfort through the grieving process 15 with the knowledge that through organ, eye, and tissue donation, 16 another person's life has been saved or healed; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Organ donation offers transplant recipients a second 18 chance at life, enabling them to be with their families and maintain 19 a higher quality of life; and
- 20 WHEREAS, The families of organ, eye, and tissue donors receive 21 gratitude from grateful recipients whose lives have been saved by 22 transplantation; and

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WHEREAS, The example set by those who choose to donate reflects
the character and compassion of these individuals, whose voluntary
choice saves the lives of others; and
WHEREAS, April is the month designated by organ donation
organizations across the country to strive to make life possible by
educating and motivating individuals to register their decision to be
an organ, eye, and tissue donor;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House
of Representatives honor April as National Donate Life Month to
remember those who have donated and celebrate the lives of the
recipients.
I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4637 adopted by the House of Representatives
April 5, 2023

Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk

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