

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-4666, 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, Representative Jeremie J. Dufault was born and raised in  
2 Yakima where his family has lived and farmed in the Yakima Valley for  
3 nearly a century; and

4 WHEREAS, He graduated from A.C. Davis High School in Yakima in  
5 1996; and

6 WHEREAS, Dufault graduated from the University of Pennsylvania,  
7 earned a Juris Doctorate degree from Harvard Law School, and  
8 graduated from the United States Army Judge Advocate General School  
9 at the University of Virginia; and

10 WHEREAS, He served during wartime in Kuwait and Afghanistan; and

11 WHEREAS, Dufault is a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States  
12 Army Reserve and serves as a Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Corps  
13 military lawyer; and

14 WHEREAS, He is an investor and real estate developer specializing  
15 in senior, student, and family housing; and

16 WHEREAS, Dufault has been committed to public service having  
17 served on the Selah City Council, chair of the Yakima County Veterans  
18 Board, a member of the Yakima County Economic Development Board, and  
19 chair of the Yakima Valley Technical Skills Center General Advisory  
20 Council; and

21 WHEREAS, He is active in his community, including American Legion  
22 Selah Post 88 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars; and

1       WHEREAS, Dufault was elected to the first of two terms in the  
2 Washington State House of Representatives in 2018 to represent the  
3 15th Legislative District; and

4       WHEREAS, He serves as assistant ranking member of the House  
5 Finance and Consumer Protection and Business Committees,  
6 respectively; and

7       WHEREAS, Dufault has worked tirelessly for the people, employers,  
8 institutions, projects, and communities of the 15th Legislative  
9 District, specifically promoting legislation that expanded mental  
10 health care capacity, provided housing and services for homeless  
11 veterans, and invested in schools, parks, youth programs, and roads  
12 in Yakima County; and

13       WHEREAS, He has fought for constitutional rights, property  
14 rights, lower taxes, and transparency in government; and

15       WHEREAS, Dufault is the loving father of three daughters - Ellie,  
16 Lulu, and Addy - whose health, happiness, and prosperity are his top  
17 priority;

18       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House  
19 of Representatives recognize Dufault's record of public service, both  
20 in and out of this chamber, on behalf of his district, his  
21 colleagues, and the people of the State of Washington.

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