

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4678, by Representative Stambaugh

1 WHEREAS, The annual Daffodil Festival is a cherished tradition
2 for the people of Pierce County and the Northwest; and

3 WHEREAS, 2016 marks the 83rd annual Daffodil Festival, and the
4 theme of this year's festival is "Fun in the Sun"; and

5 WHEREAS, The mission of the Daffodil Festival is to focus
6 national and regional attention on our local area as a place to live
7 and visit, to give citizens of Pierce County a civic endeavor where
8 "Fun in the Sun" comes alive, to foster civic pride, to give young
9 people and organizations of the local area an opportunity to display
10 their talents and abilities, to give voice to citizens' enthusiasm
11 through parades, pageantry, and events, and to stimulate the economy
12 through expenditures by and for the Festival and by visitors
13 attracted during Festival Week; and

14 WHEREAS, The Festival began in 1926 as a modest garden party in
15 Sumner and grew steadily each year until 1934, when flowers, which
16 previously had been largely discarded in favor of daffodil bulbs,
17 were used to decorate cars and bicycles for a short parade through
18 Tacoma; and

19 WHEREAS, The Festival's 2016 events include the 83rd Annual Grand
20 Floral Street Parade on April 11, 2016--winding its way from downtown
21 Tacoma through the communities of Puyallup, Sumner, and Orting, and
22 consisting of approximately 150 entries, including bands, marching
23 and mounted units, and floats that are decorated with fresh-cut

1 Daffodils numbering in the thousands--and will culminate with the
2 Marine parade on April 12, 2016; and

3 WHEREAS, This year's Festival royalty includes Chelsea Lopez,
4 Lincoln High School; Emily Oliver, Spanaway Lake High School; Emmalee
5 Ford, Cascade Christian High School; Esther Wamagata, Clover Park
6 High School; Faviola Colmenares, Washington High School; Jaycee
7 Jenkins, Graham-Kapowsin High School; Jessica Nguyen, Henry Foss High
8 School; Kaitlin Nguyen, Rogers High School; Kallie Sherwood, Emerald
9 Ridge High School; Kelty Pierce, Puyallup High School; Kimberly
10 Agfalvi, Bethel High School; Laura Cronic, Curtis High School; Lillie
11 Williams, Stadium High School; Lindsey McClellan, Mount Tahoma High
12 School; Mackenzie Macoy, Franklin Pierce High School; Maddie Meyer,
13 White River High School; Melissa Kinney, Lakes High School; Sammy
14 Roberts, Eatonville High School; Shannon Dooley, Orting High School;
15 Shayla Chandler, Fife High School; Skylar Miller, Sumner High School;
16 Tabitha Reynolds, Bonney Lake High School; and Tiauna Bill, Chief
17 Leschi High School;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives
19 recognize and honor the many contributions made to our state by the
20 Daffodil Festival and its organizers for the past eighty-three years;
21 and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
23 immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of
24 Representatives to the 2016 Daffodil Festival Officers and to the
25 members of the 2016 Daffodil Festival Royalty.

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27 I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
28 Resolution 4678 adopted by the House of Representatives
29 February 29, 2016
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Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk