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**By Senators M. Rasmussen, Winsley, McDonald and Roach**

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1            TO THE HONORABLE BILL CLINTON, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND  
2      COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER  
3      OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF  
4      REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, AND TO  
5      GENERAL COLIN POWELL, CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF, AND TO LTG  
6      CARMEN J. CAVEZZA, I CORPS COMMANDER:

7            We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of  
8      the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully  
9      represent and petition as follows:

10           WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to  
11      recognize excellence in all fields of endeavor; and

12           WHEREAS, Our military has exhibited the highest level of excellence  
13      in sacrificially protecting our state and nation from enemies of  
14      liberty for over two hundred years; and

15           WHEREAS, All the citizens of Washington state deeply admire and  
16      appreciate the brave men and women in uniform who valiantly and proudly  
17      serve their country so well; and

18           WHEREAS, I Corps has played a key role in defending liberty against  
19      oppression around the world over the past seventy-five years with  
20      distinguished service; and

1       WHEREAS, From the trenches of Europe to the jungles of Asia, the  
2 soldiers of I Corps have fought and died to secure the freedoms  
3 guaranteed us by the Constitution of the United States; and

4       WHEREAS, January 15, 1993, marked the seventy-fifth anniversary of  
5 the Corps since it was created in Neufchateau, France during World War  
6 I; and

7       WHEREAS, In each of the three wars of I Corps, the Corps entered  
8 when things were going badly and performed its mission with skill and  
9 determination and emerged victorious; and

10       WHEREAS, In 1981, the Corps was brought back to full strength at  
11 Fort Lewis, Washington where it presently plays an active and  
12 significant role in the Pacific Rim area; and

13       WHEREAS, I Corps has participated in more campaigns than any other  
14 corps, is the most decorated corps in the Active Army, and is the only  
15 corps ever to receive the United States Presidential Unit Citation; and

16       WHEREAS, In a dramatically altered world order, I Corps has assumed  
17 a significant and strategic role in America's armed forces poised to  
18 strike world-wide to meet any contingency; and

19       WHEREAS, the success of I Corps is a direct result of the  
20 professionalism, dedication, and motivation of its soldiers and the  
21 support of their families, friends, and communities;

22       NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that all the  
23 men and women of I Corps both past and present be honored and saluted,  
24 and we reaffirm our appreciation for and commitment to those who serve  
25 in military uniform on our behalf.

26       BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately  
27 transmitted to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United  
28 States and Commander-in-Chief; General Colin Powell, Chairman of the  
29 Joint Chiefs of Staff; LTG Carmen J. Cavezza, I Corps Commander; the  
30 President of the United States Senate; the Speaker of the House of  
31 Representatives; and each member of Congress from the State of  
32 Washington.

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