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August 2, 2012

The Honorable Frank Chopp
House of Representatives
P.O. Box 40600
Olympia, WA 98504-0600

Dear Speaker Chopp:

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cc: Washington State Congressional Delegation
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House of Representatives
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The Honorable Lisa Brown
Washington State Senate
P.O. Box 40403
Olympia, WA 98504-0403

Dear Senator Brown:

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Washington State Senate
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Olympia, WA 98504-0416

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Dan Penrose, Program Manager
South Sound Military & Communities Partnership
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

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Gary Brackett, Business & Political Manager
Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 1933
Tacoma, WA 98401

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Rich Hadley, President & CEO
Greater Spokane Incorporated
801 West Riverside, Suite 100
Spokane, WA 99201

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Guy Stitt
Puget Sound Naval Bases Association
P.O. Box 2615
Bremerton, WA 98310

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Patrick Pierce, Public Policy Director
Economic Alliance of Snohomish County
728 –134th Street SW, Suite 128
Everett, WA 98204

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Ron Nelson, Executive Director
Island County Economic Development Council
P.O. Box 279
Coupeville, WA 98239

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Carl F. Adrian, President & CEO
Tri-City Development Council
7130 W Grandridge Boulevard, Suite A
Kennewick, WA 99336

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Olivia Robinson
Regional Affairs Coordinator
Puget Sound Regional Council
1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500
Seattle, WA 98104-1035

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Sean Murphy, Executive Director
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818 Stewart Street, Suite 1110
Seattle, WA 98101

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Dave Purcell, Chairman
Joint Military Affairs Committee
Greater Yakima Chamber of Commerce
10 North 9th Street
Yakima, WA 98901

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Pat McClain
Office of the Mayor of Everett
2930 Wetmore Avenue, Suite 10A
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Sincerely,

Christine O. Gregoire
Governor

cc: Washington State Congressional Delegation



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