

1                   **Regarding Exploring Use and Incorporation**  
2                   **of Residential Habilitation Center Property for Research**  
3                   **into and Treatment of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)**  
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5       **WHEREAS** the US Department of Defense has estimated the number of Operation  
6       Enduring Freedom/Operation Iraqi Freedom veterans with combat-related traumatic  
7       brain injury (TBI) could reach 360,000; and  
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9       **WHEREAS** while more than \$1 billion has been committed to fund academic research,  
10       almost eight years after the start of the war on terrorism, neither the Department of  
11       Veterans Affairs nor the Department of Defense has discovered, much less fielded, a  
12       treatment regimen or protocol that provides timely, assured relief for the disabling  
13       effects of this "signature injury";  
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15       **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democrats hereby  
16       support exploring the use and incorporation of Residential Habilitation Center (RHC)  
17       Property in the State of Washington for Research into and Treatment of Traumatic Brain  
18       Injury (TBI), alongside and in harmony with the RHCs' current use; and  
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20       **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the WSDCC Chair (or the Chair's  
21       designee) shall send a copy of this resolution communicating its approval by the  
22       WSDCC to each member of the congressional delegation representing the State of  
23       Washington by electronic mail.  
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26       Submitted by the Disabilities Issues Caucus to the Washington State Democratic Central  
27       Committee for consideration at its September 26, 2009 meeting in Walla Walla. (Date  
28       Submitted 9/26/2009)  
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30       The WSDCC Resolutions Committee "RECOMMENDED A PASS" on this resolution at  
31       its September 26, 2009 meeting in Walla Walla.  
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33       The WSDCC "PASSED" this resolution at its September 26, 2009 meeting in Walla  
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