

1 **Resolution to Support the appointment of March 31st as Cesar**
2 **Chavez day (supporting HB 1939)**

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4 **WHEREAS** Washington State celebrates and acknowledges many holidays honoring
5 and remembering civil rights leaders;

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7 **WHEREAS** Cesar Chavez was a highly respected American Labor Leader and Civil
8 Rights Activist who co-founded along with Dolores Huerta, the National Farm Workers
9 Association which later became the United Farm Workers Union;

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11 **WHEREAS** Cesar Chavez is a symbol of the concurrent struggle of both Farm Workers
12 and Laborers everywhere;

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14 **WHEREAS** Cesar Chavez is highly admired by both Latino Americans and the
15 American Labor Movement; and

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17 **WHEREAS** House Bill 1939 (HB1939) proposing that March 31st be recognized as Cesar
18 Chavez Day, was passed by the Washington State House by an overwhelming majority
19 yet voted against by most of the Republican representatives of eastern Washington;

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21 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democratic Central
22 Committee, do stand in solidarity with the farm workers, Labor, and Latinx
23 communities of this state, by supporting the appointment of March 31st as Cesar Chavez
24 day; and

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26 **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** Dolores Huerta be similarly recognized
27 for her contributions to Latinx rights, labor and civil rights, concurrent with Cesar
28 Chavez.

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31 Submitted by the Yakima County Democrats on 8/24/2017.

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33 The Resolutions Committee reviewed and amended this resolution and recommended
34 that it be passed.

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36 The Washington State Democratic Central Committee approved this resolution on
37 9/10/17.