

1           **Rights of the People of the State of Washington to**  
2                           **Seek Impeachment of the**  
3                           **President of the United States**

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5   **WHEREAS**, United States House of Representatives rules allow for setting a federal  
6 impeachment in motion by charges transmitted from the legislature of a State or  
7 territory; and

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9   **WHEREAS**, The State of Florida and the former territory of Mississippi have  
10 established precedent by referring such charges to Congress, which in each case  
11 resulted in Congress ordering a Committee to investigate and report on the charges,  
12 and which in one case resulted in the impeachment of Judge Charles Swayne of Florida;  
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15   **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush, President of the United States, has so conducted himself  
16 and his office as to cause the people of the State to doubt his integrity and to believe  
17 that his official actions as president have constituted High Crimes and Misdemeanors  
18 having repeatedly and intentionally violated and ignored the United States Constitution  
19 and other laws of the United States; and

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21   **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush has ordered the federalization and deployment of this  
22 state's National Guard members overseas and thus has exceeded the authority granted  
23 in the provision of the United States Constitution that Congress shall have the power to  
24 "provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the laws of the Union, to suppress  
25 insurrections and repel invasions," reserving to the State Assembly, the State Senate,  
26 and the Governor of this state the authority to direct the training and arming of  
27 members of the state's National Guard for defense of the state; and

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29   **WHEREAS**, The federalization and deployment of National Guard members has  
30 rendered the National Guard force unable to carry out its state activities effectively and  
31 thus deprived the state of its Constitutional power to keep the National Guard for  
32 defense of the state; and

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34   **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush has allowed stop-loss orders that violate the mutual  
35 understanding between Californians in the Armed Forces including the National Guard  
36 and the state and nation they agreed to serve; and

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38   **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush has admitted that he willingly and repeatedly directed  
39 unwarranted surveillance of U. S. persons, in violation of the Fourth Amendment to the  
40 United States Constitution and the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of the United  
41 States; and

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43 **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush committed a felony under 18 U.S.C. 1001 by withholding  
44 information from Congress about doubts in the intelligence community about Bush's  
45 justification for war; and

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47 **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush committed a felony under section 1001 by providing  
48 information to Congress he knew or should have known to be false, including the claim  
49 that Iraq was seeking uranium from Niger and the claim that Iraq gave aid and comfort  
50 to the perpetrators of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; and

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52 **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush committed a felony under section 1001 by providing  
53 information to Congress he knew or should have known to be false, including the claim  
54 that the cost of the Medicare bill would not exceed the limits Congress intended; and

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56 **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush committed felonies under 18 U.S.C. 641 and 643 by  
57 embezzling funds authorized for use in the war in Afghanistan and diverting it to an as-  
58 yet unauthorized build-up towards war in Iraq; and

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60 **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush committed felonies, namely espionage, fraud, or  
61 obstruction of justice, through involvement in the cover-up of the leak of Valerie  
62 Wilson's identity; and

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64 **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush has committed an act of terrorism under 18 U.S.C. 2339A  
65 by ordering the kidnapping of President Aristide, a violation of 18 U.S.C. 956; and

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67 **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush has approved of torture under the name of stress and  
68 duress, has denied the applicability of existing laws and treaties against torture, and has  
69 indicated in his signing statement of H.R. 1815 his future intention to continue to  
70 disregard such laws and treaties; and

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72 **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush has repeatedly acted to expand the power of a unitary  
73 executive in violation of the principle of balance of power; and

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75 **WHEREAS**, the administration of the United States' invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq  
76 has resulted in the waste of assets, through incompetence, insufficient oversight,  
77 insufficient planning, and no-bid contracts; and

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79 **WHEREAS**, George W. Bush, though the above actions has denied the citizens of this  
80 state of their rights and their safety;

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82 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the people of the Whatcom County Democrats  
83 (WCDCC) hereby direct the House and Senate of this state, and jointly, our Senators  
84 and Representatives in the United States Congress be, and hereby instruct them to cause  
85 to be instituted in the Congress of the United States proper proceedings for the  
86 investigation of the governance of the Executive Branch by George W. Bush as

87 President of the United States, and of his acts and doings as such, to the end that he  
88 may be impeached and removed from such office; and

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90 **THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State of the State of  
91 Washington be, and is hereby, instructed to certify to each Senator and Representative  
92 in the Congress of the United States, under the great seal of this state, a copy of this  
93 resolution as soon as it is adopted by the legislature of this state.

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96 (Date Passed 04/12/2006 by Whatcom County Democrats)

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