The House was called to order at 9:55 a.m. by the Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding).

Reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was ordered to stand approved.

RESOLUTION

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-4660, by Representatives Chambers, Boehnke, Fitzgibbon, Volz, J. Johnson, Cody, Walsh, Gilday, Klicker, Senn, Slatter, MacEwen, Orwall, Graham, Sells, Shewmake, Young, Chase, Eslick, Macri, Jacobsen, Thai, Wicks, Dufault, Duerr, Walen, Sutherland, Rude, Goehner, Caldier, Santos, Dye, Ybarra, Abbarno, Dent, Schmick, Mosbrucker, Kraft, Orcutt, Callan, Stokesbary, Bateman, Ramel, Ramos, Chandler, Hoff, Goodman, Riccelli, Corry, Barkis, Stonier, Rule, Ortiz-Self, Griffey, Hackney, Paul, Leavitt, McCaslin, Robertson, Kippert, and Springer

WHEREAS, Ukraine is a diverse nation, home to Ukrainians, Crimean Tatars, Jews, Poles, and other ethnic groups; and

WHEREAS, Washington State is now home to over 70,000 Ukrainian Americans and is one of six states with the highest number of Ukrainian immigrants; and

WHEREAS, Many Ukrainians immigrated to Washington State fleeing Soviet persecution for their beliefs, seeking personal and religious freedoms in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ukrainian immigrants in Washington State have formed groups and associations, such as the Pacific Ukrainian Society, the Ukrainian Association of Washington State, Ukrainian SeaTac Youth, Ukrainian Dance Ensemble, Ukrainian Community Center of Washington, and numerous Ukrainian churches, which preserve and celebrate Ukrainian culture, heritage, and religion, and support new immigrants; and

WHEREAS, Ukrainian Americans in Washington State have enriched our state through their leadership and contributions in agriculture, business academia, government, and the arts; and

WHEREAS, The Ukrainian American community shares its rich history, culture, traditions, and gastronomy with numerous events, such as the Northwest Ukrainian International Festival organized by the Pacific Ukrainian Society, and celebrations of International Dance, the birthday of poet Taras Shevchenko, and Ukrainian Independence Day organized by the Ukrainian Association of Washington;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives recognize the important role Ukrainian Americans play in the civil, cultural, and economic life of Washington State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the Honorary Consult of Ukraine in Seattle and to the Embassy of Ukraine in the United States of America for appropriate distribution.

There being no objection, HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4660 was adopted.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the fourth order of business.

INTRODUCTION & FIRST READING

HB 2127 by Representative Young
AN ACT Relating to the Tacoma Narrows bridge toll debt, and amending RCW 47.46.190, 47.46.200, and 47.46.110.
Referred to Committee on Transportation.

HB 2128 by Representatives Santos and Fitzgibbon
AN ACT Relating to imposing an impact assessment fee on the admission to events at certain facilities to fund the related community preservation and development authority; adding a new section to chapter 82.14 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.167 RCW; and providing an effective date.
Referred to Committee on Finance.

There being no objection, the bills listed on the day’s introduction sheet under the fourth order of business were referred to the committees so designated.

There being no objection, the House advanced to the eighth order of business.

MOTIONS

There being no objection, the Committee on Appropriations was relieved of SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5252 and SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5785, and the bills were referred to the Committee on Rules.

There being no objection, the Committee on Transportation was relieved of ENGROSSED
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5974, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules.

The Speaker (Representative Orwall presiding) called upon Representative Bronoske to preside.

RESOLUTION

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-4658, by Representative Bateman

WHEREAS, The Women's Army Corps (WAC) was the women's branch of the United States Army, created as an auxiliary unit in May of 1942 and converted to full status as the WAC in 1943; and

WHEREAS, These women faced opposition by both the conservative leadership of the Army and general public opinion; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 150,000 American women served in World War II, the first women, other than nurses, to serve in the Army; and

WHEREAS, These groundbreaking women were highly valued by generals such as General Douglas MacArthur and General Dwight Eisenhower who said, "their contributions in efficiency, skill, spirit and determination are immeasurable"; and

WHEREAS, Other branches of the United States military had women's units including the Navy (WAVES), the Coast Guard (SPARS), the (civilian) Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP), and Women in Air Force (WAF); and

WHEREAS, The WAC disbanded in 1978, allowing women to serve in the same units alongside the men; and

WHEREAS, Women have only been allowed in or near combat situations since 1994, when United States Defense Secretary Les Aspin ordered the removal of "substantial risk of capture" from the list of grounds for excluding women from certain military units; and

WHEREAS, Women who served our country through these long years deserve our respect and gratitude both for their contributions to our military and for the furtherance of women's rights and equality in the United States; and

WHEREAS, June 12, 2022, will mark the 74th anniversary of the groundbreaking Women's Armed Services Integration Act, signed into law by President Harry S. Truman on June 12, 1948;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives join in acknowledging the anniversary of this day in recognition of the courageous service of women in the military.

There being no objection, the Committee on Rules was relieved of the following bills and the bills were placed on the second reading calendar:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1792
HOUSE BILL NO. 2024
HOUSE BILL NO. 2099
HOUSE BILL NO. 1814
HOUSE BILL NO. 1530
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5252
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5376
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5245
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5546
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5082
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL NO. 5564

There being no objection, the Committee on Appropriations was relieved of SENATE BILL NO. 5657, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules.

There being no objection, the House adjourned until 9:00 a.m., February 26, 2022, the 48th Legislative Day of the Regular Session.

Laurie Jinkins, Speaker
Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk
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