

SNOHOMISH COUNTY EXECUTIVE SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 03-014

Welcoming the U.S.S. Abraham Lincoln Back to Snohomish County

WHEREAS, the U.S.S. ABRAHAM LINCOLN left Naval Station Everett for deployment to the Persian Gulf July 20, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the crew of the U.S.S. ABRAHAM LINCOLN, left behind their family and friends in Everett and other areas of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the U.S.S. ABRAHAM LINCOLN played a critical role in the campaign known as Operation Iraqi Freedom, with 12,700 takeoffs and landings during its voyage of 102,800 nautical miles; and

WHEREAS, the valiant efforts of the personnel aboard the U.S.S. ABRAHAM LINCOLN, the many support staff assigned to Naval Station Everett, their families, the United States Navy and every branch of the Armed Forces protecting the citizens of this country, inspire pride and patriotism in the residents of Snohomish County; and

WHEREAS, the return of the brave men and women of the U.S.S. ABRAHAM LINCOLN, after more than nine months of service to the American people, will be a joyful event for their families, friends and loved ones.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Snohomish County Council and the Snohomish County Executive, that the official HOMECOMING of the U.S.S. ABRAHAM LINCOLN is a cause to celebrate and honor the service men and women defending our nation who are a welcome and vital part of the communities in Snohomish County.

APPROVED THIS 30TH DAY OF APRIL 2003.

Robert J. Drewel
County Executive

Gary Nelson
Council Chair

John Koster
Councilmember

Kirke Sievers
Councilmember

Dave Gossett
Councilmember

Jeff Sax
Councilmember