



**Gold Star Parent License Plates  
Request for Certification Letter**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Who qualifies as a parent of a member of the United State Armed Forces?**

The term "parent", as defined by The Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs, (WDVA) includes:

- (a) Birth mother,
- (b) Birth father,
- (c) Stepmother,
- (d) Stepfather,
- (e) Mother through adoption,
- (f) Father through adoption, and
- (g) Adults who fulfilled the parental role including foster parents

**I certify that I am an eligible Gold Star Parent, as defined above.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Gold Star Parents may request their Gold Star License Plate Certification letter from WDVA by mailing this form and the a copy of official Department of Defense Report of Casualty (DD Form 1300) or death notice of the service member to:

Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA)  
Attn: Gold Star Parent License Plate Certification  
PO Box 41155  
Olympia WA 98504-1155

If the parent applying for a Gold Star License Plate is not listed on the Report of Casualty or Death Notice, WDVA will require additional information to verify parental status. Please call 1-800-562-0132 option 1 for additional assistance.

WDVA will mail a letter to the parent requesting certification. The letter may be presented to any Department of Licensing agent when requesting the Gold Star Parent License Plate.