

**SENATE RESOLUTION
1992-8725**

By Senators Matson, Newhouse, Rasmussen, McCaslin, W. Hansen, Conner, Sellar, Bauer and Anderson

WHEREAS, A State Fair is a time honored tradition that is enjoyed by all Americans; and

WHEREAS, Each year, farm families and city kin excitedly await a State Fair's displays proudly set in late summer and early autumn days; and

WHEREAS, In 1892, one hundred years ago this month, the Legislature awarded the city of Yakima the honor and responsibility of hosting Washington's first, and for many years only, State Fair; and

WHEREAS, The first State Fair of Washington was held in Yakima two years later. This gala milestone in state history boasted a two thousand seat grandstand, a racetrack, an exhibit hall, one hundred horse stalls, and a judging stand three stories high; and

WHEREAS, The last State Fair of Washington was held in Yakima in 1936, and the first Central Washington State Fair was held in Yakima three years later; and

WHEREAS, Today, men and women from the livestock and agriculture industries, Grange organizations, and other concerns are working with boys and girls from the Future Farmers of America and 4-H groups to make the Central Washington State Fair a grand celebration beyond even the dreams of a century past; and

WHEREAS, Later this year, September 25 through October 3, thousands of proud exhibitors from all over the state, the Pacific Northwest, and Canada will again fill the halls and stalls of the Central Washington State Fairgrounds; and

WHEREAS, It is proper and fitting to recognize the designation of the City of Yakima as the location for the original State Fair of Washington;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Washington salute the Central Washington State Fair Association as the esteemed and steadfast keeper of our one hundred year State Fair tradition; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the members of the Central Washington State Fair Association's Board of Directors and to the management and staff of the Central Washington State Fair Association.

I, Gordon A. Golob, Secretary of the Senate,

do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 1992-8725, adopted by the Senate February 19, 1992.

GORDON A. GOLOB
Secretary of the Senate