
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 8429

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By Senators McDonald and Snyder

Read first time . Referred to Committee on .

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Irving R. Newhouse serves with honor and
2 integrity as President Pro Tempore of the Washington State Senate; and

3 WHEREAS, Republicans and Democrats alike have great respect for
4 Senator Newhouse for his impressive institutional knowledge as the
5 longest serving member in the Legislature; and

6 WHEREAS, Senator Newhouse has demonstrated tremendous dedication to
7 his district and to the state of Washington with more than 34 years of
8 service since his election to the House of Representatives in 1964; and

9 WHEREAS, Due to his vast understanding of the political process and
10 parliamentary procedure, Senator Newhouse has risen to several
11 leadership positions since his appointment to the state Senate in 1980,
12 including Senate Republican Floor Leader from 1988 to 1996 and now
13 President Pro Tempore; and

14 WHEREAS, Senator Newhouse is considered "one of the sharpest minds
15 in the Legislature and the best attorney in the Legislature, even
16 though he isn't one"; and

17 WHEREAS, Governors of both parties have desired and respected his
18 perspective on potential legislation; and

19 WHEREAS, His commitment to the 15th District and his dedication to
20 agriculture brings him home to Mabton each interim where he works

1 diligently on his farm growing hops, grapes, apples, cherries, and
2 other crops; and

3 WHEREAS, The knowledge and experience he has gained as both a
4 legislator and a farmer make him a strong and loyal advocate of the
5 agricultural industry, recently recognized with the state Agriculture
6 Director's Citation Award and the Washington State Farm Bureau
7 Legislator of the Year Award; and

8 WHEREAS, His dedication to the Legislature and his farm can only be
9 matched by his love and commitment to his wife, Ruth, and their six
10 children and eighteen grandchildren; and

11 WHEREAS, Senator Irv Newhouse will long be remembered for his
12 impressive and inspiring contributions to the Washington State
13 Legislature by members, staff, lobbyists, the press, and friends and
14 neighbors in the 15th Legislative District; and

15 WHEREAS, As a first generation American, he has made a significant
16 mark on the state of Washington; and

17 WHEREAS, The Washington State Legislature wishes to honor Senator
18 Newhouse with a lasting memorial to his dedication and service in the
19 Legislature;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Washington State Senate, the
21 House of Representatives concurring, That the Director of General
22 Administration is directed to rename the building currently referred to
23 as the Institutions Building, the Irving R. Newhouse Building; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all appropriate Senate stationery be
25 updated to reflect this name change as soon as economically possible;
26 and

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be forwarded to the
28 Honorable Irving R. Newhouse, Senate President Pro Tempore; the
29 Honorable Gary Locke, Governor of the State of Washington; and Marsha
30 Tadano Long, Director of the Department of General Administration.

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