SENATE RESOLUTION 1998-8707

By Senators Rasmussen, B. Sheldon, Oke, Prince, Franklin, T. Sheldon, Goings, Fraser and Haugen

WHEREAS, The location of the Intel Corporation at DuPont was conditioned on rapid development of a highway interchange on Interstate 5; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the City of DuPont, Weyerhaeuser Real Estate Company, and Intel Corporation set out to develop this interchange as rapidly as possible; and

WHEREAS, The DuPont Interchange Pilot Project demonstrates what can be accomplished when state, local, and private sectors work as partners; and

WHEREAS, This project has demonstrated methods that can be used to streamline and accelerate Department of Transportation design, environmental, right of way, and construction procedures; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Transportation, Olympic Region, completed the interchange \$3 million under the original budget estimate and in 26 months instead of the originally planned 50 months to complete this process; and

WHEREAS, The *Engineering News-Record* has recognized Gary Demich, Regional Administrator for the Olympic Region of the Department of Transportation, for his leadership in the completion of this project as one of the top twenty-five industry achievements in the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate wishes to recognize the accomplishments of all those involved in this project including the entire staff of the Washington State Department of Transportation, and in particular those of the Olympic Region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Honorable Gary Locke, Governor of the State of Washington, the Washington State Transportation Commission, the Secretary of the Washington State Department of Transportation, and to Mr. Gary Demich, on behalf of all the employees of the Olympic Region.

I, Mike O'Connell, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 1998-8707, adopted by the Senate February 27, 1998.

MIKE O'CONNELL Secretary of the Senate