SENATE RESOLUTION 8747

By Senators Snyder, West, Johnson, Roach, Benton, Brown, Carlson, Costa, Deccio, Eide, Fairley, Finkbeiner, Franklin, Fraser, Gardner, Hale, Hargrove, Haugen, Hewitt, Hochstatter, Honeyford, Horn, Jacobsen, Kastama, Keiser, Kline, Kohl-Welles, Long, McAuliffe, McCaslin, McDonald, Morton, Oke, Parlette, Poulsen, Prentice, Rasmussen, Regala, Rossi, Sheahan, Sheldon, B., Sheldon, T., Shin, Spanel, Stevens, Swecker, Thibaudeau, Winsley and Zarelli

WHEREAS, Kelly Bausch was a beloved friend, colleague and twenty-year member of the Senate family; and

WHEREAS, A Washington native and graduate of Tumwater High School, Kelly started working in the Washington State Senate Supply Office in 1979, where he eventually became Senate Supply Manager; and

WHEREAS, Kelly characterized Radar- from the TV series M*A*S*H: With humility and dedication, he could anticipate and serve the needs of others while maintaining a quiet and gentle presence in a tough front-line job; and

WHEREAS, Presession activities were his specialty; Call Kelly!- was often said in exasperation, sometimes in the hope of a quick fix or in the knowledge that only Kelly could be relied on for the right action at the right time; and

WHEREAS, In his typically unselfish nature, Kelly handled the dinner for the first Senate Scramble and picnic " waiting in Millersylvania Park for hours, just to save a spot for the day's participants; and

WHEREAS, His love for his family radiated in his demeanor whenever Kelly talked about Tami, his loving wife of seventeen years, and their sons Kenny and Zachary; and

WHEREAS, He loved spending time with his family and became involved in his son's various organized sports " in particular, Little League football; and

WHEREAS, Kelly was a sportsman who loved fishing, playing cribbage and participating in the Senate volleyball tournaments; and

WHEREAS, On January 16, 2002, Kelly Bausch ended his fight with cancer at his home, surrounded by loving friends and family; and

WHEREAS, Kelly, will forever remain in our hearts " gone but not forgotten.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate celebrate the life of our colleague, Kelly Bausch, and recognize his devotion to public service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Bausch family.