SENATE RESOLUTION 8774

By Senators Regala, Eide, Winsley, Franklin, Sheldon, B.

WHEREAS, The annual Beta Sigma Phi Day is a revered gathering of dynamic and charitable women of Tacoma and the Northwest; and

WHEREAS, 2002 marks the thirtieth annual Beta Sigma Phi Day; and

WHEREAS, The occasion begun in 1931 as a modest gathering of women with active roles in making a difference– to their communities, and grew steadily each year until 1997 when the Tacoma Chapter decided to support breast cancer research; and

WHEREAS, The group has supported the statewide service project of breast cancer research with funds going to the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center; and

WHEREAS, The chapters in the council have supported the Broadway Center for the Performing Arts, The Tacoma Opera, The YWCA Women's Shelter, The Toy Rescue Mission, The Mary Bridge Hospital Festival of Trees, churches, schools, community centers, senior citizens, mentoring, and the local public television station; and

WHEREAS, The chapters in the Tacoma Council with sixteen chapters totaling approximately 160 women will come together on May 18, 2002 for the Beta Sigma Phi Day and an auction to raise funds for the breast cancer research; and

WHEREAS, The Council hopes to make more young women aware of Beta Sigma Phi in their area; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Washington State Senate do hereby recognize and honor the many contributions made to our state by the Beta Sigma Phi Day and its organizers for the past seventy-one years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted immediately by the Secretary of the Senate to the 2002 Beta Sigma Phi Day Officers and to the members of the Tacoma Beta Sigma Phi Chapter.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8774, adopted by the Senate February 28, 2002. TONY M. COOK Secretary of the Senate