

SENATE RESOLUTION
8743

By Senators West, Snyder, Zarelli, Hochstatter, Johnson, Deccio, Hewitt, Finkbeiner, Long, Hale, Honeyford, Rossi, Morton, Horn, Roach, McCaslin, Winsley, McDonald, Swecker, Parlette, Stevens, Sheahan and Rasmussen

WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer, union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California and President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction for two terms as the Fortieth President of the United States of America; the second of which he earned the confidence of three-fifths of the electorate and was victorious in 49 of the 50 states in the general election—a record unsurpassed in the history of American presidential elections; and

WHEREAS, during his career as a public servant, Ronald Reagan was unafraid to do battle on the great issues of his time and, in the words of Theodore Roosevelt, enter the arena, strive valiantly, and spend himself for a worthy cause; and

WHEREAS, during Mr. Reagan's presidency he worked in a bipartisan manner to enact his bold agenda of restoring accountability and common sense to government which led to an unprecedented economic expansion and opportunity for millions of Americans; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reagan's commitment to an active social policy agenda for the nation's children helped lower crime and drug use in our neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to our armed forces contributed to the restoration of pride in America, her values and those cherished by the free world, and prepared America's armed forces to win the Gulf War; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of peace through strength—led to the end of the Cold War and the ultimate demise of the Soviet Union, guaranteeing basic human rights for millions of people; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2002, Ronald Reagan will have reached the age of ninety-one years;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington State Senate hereby recognizes and honors our Fortieth President, Ronald Wilson Reagan, in this month of his ninety-first birthday; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Grover G. Norquist, President of the Ronald Reagan Legacy Project.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8743,
adopted by the Senate February 6, 2002.

TONY M. COOK
Secretary of the Senate