SENATE RESOLUTION 8689

By Senator Haugen

WHEREAS, The Shifty Sailors are a folk music group who hail from Whidbey Island; and WHEREAS, For 12 years the Shifty Sailors have been enlightening people with their music; and

WHEREAS, The Shifty Sailors were founded by chance when someone asked Vern Olson to provide music for an event in Coupeville; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Shifty Sailors include active and retired doctors, teachers, engineers, and counselors; and

WHEREAS, The Shifty Sailors entertain and educate their audience as they sing of the maritime history of the Puget Sound, the country, and the world; and

WHEREAS, The group has worked to preserve the heritage of sailing ships, folklore, and songs of the sea through their music; and

WHEREAS, The Shifty Sailors have recorded three exceptional albums full of entertaining music; and

WHEREAS, The Shifty Sailors have done extensive work with children and are currently working on an album with both Shifty Sailors' members and children from elementary schools around Whidbey Island, with all the proceeds going to children's music education; and

WHEREAS, The Shifty Sailors have performed at locations around the world including England, Ireland, France, and Germany; and

WHEREAS, The group will soon embark on a maritime heritage tour that takes the sounds of the Pacific Northwest to the shores of the Atlantic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize the Shifty Sailors for their musical accomplishments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the members of the Shifty Sailors.