SENATE RESOLUTION 8691

By Senator Hargrove

and

WHEREAS, Lois Cotton began her service to the Washington State Legislature as an aide to Representative Jim Hargrove in January 1985, and continued her service as a legislative assistant for Senator Jim Hargrove in the Washington State Senate beginning in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Her 23-year dedication to Senator Hargrove proves she has infinite patience;

WHEREAS, She is so dedicated to her job and senator that she left for Mexico for a week during her first session and once spent an entire day in the office with makeup on only one eye; and

WHEREAS, Her unprecedented loyalty and duty to her position, the constituents of the 24th Legislative District and boss have been admired by the many people she has worked with and for; and

WHEREAS, Lois Cotton has been the loving wife of a pastor, Doug, and mother of two daughters, Jaimie and son-in-law Dave, and Jill and son-in-law Ryan, during her legislative career; and

WHEREAS, Her granddaughters, Olivia, Addilyn, Elliana, Halle, and Alia, bring her much joy, and chasing after them helps her keep her trim figure; and

WHEREAS, You can always count on Lois to have a smile on her face, kind words to share, and to be impeccably dressed; and

WHEREAS, Lois Cotton has chosen to pursue other adventures, and will be leaving the Washington State Legislature at the end of April 2007; and

WHEREAS, Lois will sorely be missed by all who worked with and for her; and

WHEREAS, No one will miss her more than Senator Hargrove;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate officially honor and thank Lois Cotton for her hard work, friendship, and loyalty; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, by request of Senator Hargrove, Lois is not permitted to leave the state Senate; and

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