By Senators Carrell, Pflug, Hargrove, Zarelli, Rasmussen, Delvin, Honeyford, Hewitt, Benton, King, McCaslin, Holmquist, Stevens, Roach, Parlette, Brandland, Swecker, Morton, Franklin, and Schoesler

WHEREAS, Kathy McEntee, who passed away January 12, 2008, was a dedicated mother of six, a resident of University Place, one of the founders of the Washington State March for Life and a tireless, visionary leader for the respect life movement in Washington state; and

WHEREAS, The McEntee family, comprised of her husband Dick McEntee and children Rich McEntee, Ann Wiegman, Paul McEntee, Aileen Carrell, Kate McEntee DeWeese, and Noreen Hobson and their spouses, shared their mother with the citizens of Washington state so that she could provide a voice for those who had none; and

WHEREAS, Kathy McEntee stood as a principled example of what hard work, perseverance, and commitment to fundamental truths and principles can accomplish; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State March for Life organization under Kathy McEntee's founding and continued direction grew into an effective advocate for the rights of the unborn, elderly, and terminally ill, and promoted a culture that respects and cherishes the uniqueness and intrinsic value of every individual life; and

WHEREAS, Kathy McEntee was a vocal and inspirational leader, not only in Olympia, but around the country; and

WHEREAS, Kathy McEntee sacrificed of herself for the betterment of Washington state and our nation; and

WHEREAS, Kathy McEntee's volunteerism and passion for a worthy cause spread over several years of meetings, speaking engagements and rallies, providing a strong example of civic leadership that others were inspired to follow; and

WHEREAS, Kathy McEntee acted on her deeply held beliefs in such a manner that she brought honor and dignity to herself and to our state, and resulted in her gaining the respect of even those who most vehemently disagreed with her on policy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate officially recognize Kathy McEntee for her time and effort to represent society's weakest and most vulnerable members; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to J. Richard "Dick" McEntee and family and to the Washington State March for Life Organization.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8717, adopted by the Senate February 26, 2008

THOMAS HOEMANN Secretary of the Senate