## SENATE RESOLUTION 8605

By Senators Stevens, Becker, Holmquist, Parlette, Morton, McCaslin, Zarelli, Hewitt, Schoesler, Swecker, Carrell, Delvin, and Roach

WHEREAS, The state of Washington acknowledges Mr. Tom Darling for his honorable service as the National Chaplain for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Chaplain of Washington State; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Darling has provided encouragement and sacrificial care to the wartime veterans of this country and this state; and

WHEREAS, In the best traditions of the Department of Washington, the Legion of Honor Award was bestowed upon Mr. Darling for his service to veterans of all faiths; and

WHEREAS, The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1865 and the city of Kenosha, Wisconsin deemed it appropriate to commend Mr. Darling for his exemplary commitment to war veterans; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that Mr. Darling receive recognition for selflessly serving those who sacrifice on behalf of this great state and the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate hereby honor, thank, and acknowledge with distinction the service of Mr. Tom Darling as the National Chaplain to the Veterans of Foreign Wars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Mr. Tom Darling.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8605, adopted by the Senate March 25, 2009

THOMAS HOEMANN Secretary of the Senate