SENATE RESOLUTION 8617

By Senators Shin, Kauffman, Berkey, Delvin, Holmquist, Honeyford, and Eide

WHEREAS, Haryong Lee serves as Consul-General of the Republic of Korea in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Haryong Lee's international diplomatic service has enhanced the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Haryong Lee's previous service includes being the Director for Economic Affairs and Press Secretary to the President; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Haryong Lee spent time researching and teaching public policy and economics at many distinguished institutions such as Seoul National University and Claremont Institute; and

WHEREAS, In Seattle, as well as his other postings across the globe, Consul-General Haryong Lee was embraced by all people of Korean descent, and showed tremendous dedication to the same; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Haryong Lee has contributed indefatigably to help make Korean-American Day a success; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Haryong Lee's immense knowledge of his nation and the United States has led to increased trade and cultural relations between the Republic of Korea and Washington; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Haryong Lee and the Korean-American community maintain close ties between the United States and the Republic of Korea, at the same time, continue to establish and strengthen its relationship with the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, The State of Washington owes recognition to Consul-General Haryong Lee for the tremendous work he continues to do in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, Consul-General Haryong Lee continues to go above and beyond the duties of his position to maintain and expand the crucial economic and cultural relations between the Republic of Korea and Washington;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor Consul-General Haryong Lee for his service to the Republic of Korea and Washington, his diplomatic nature, extreme kindness, and understanding of the crucial relationship between our peoples; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Consul-General Haryong Lee and the Korean Consulate in Seattle.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8617, adopted by the Senate February 10, 2009

THOMAS HOEMANN Secretary of the Senate