

SENATE RESOLUTION  
8620

By Senator Honeyford

WHEREAS, The town of Granger was incorporated September 28, 1909, when it served as a staging ground for settlers at the confluence of Satus Creek and Yakima River; and

WHEREAS, The town of Granger is named after Walter N. Granger of Buffalo, New York, who had worked for the Northern Pacific Railroad. On December 4, 1889, Mr. Granger organized the Yakima Land and Canal Company, thereby creating the Sunnyside Project, the Yakima Valley's first commercial irrigation project; and

WHEREAS, The town's first officers were Mayor C.W. Mentzer; Councilmen A.P. Peterson, E.B. Johnson, George Oldfield, E.N. Meloy, and A. Rodgers; Clerk Fred R. Hawn; and Treasurer A.C. Snowden; and

WHEREAS, Granger's population in 1910 was 500 people; and

WHEREAS, The present officers are Mayor Ramona Fonseca; Councilmembers Ernie Guerra, Tim Martin, Donna Shipman, Lilia Villarreal, and Natalie Ybarra; City Attorney Robert Noe; Clerk-Treasurer Alice Koerner; Fire Chief Ken Shipman; Police Marshal Robert Perales; and Public Works Director Jack Burnes; and

WHEREAS, In 1958 woolly mammoth bones were discovered at a mine once owned by the Granger Clay Company, and Granger remains a place "Where Dinosaurs Roam," allowing people to see life-sized dinosaurs throughout the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate officially recognizes and congratulates the City of Granger and its citizens on the 100th Anniversary of the establishment of the Town of Granger; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Ramona Fonseca, the Mayor of Granger; to the City Councilmembers and City Officials; to Bob Story, Editor of The Daily Sun News; and to Fernando Aceves, Editor of The Review Independent.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8620,  
adopted by the Senate  
February 19, 2009

THOMAS HOEMANN  
Secretary of the Senate