SENATE RESOLUTION 8721

By Senators Jacobsen and Kohl-Welles

WHEREAS, The growth of information technology has been a substantial contributor to the strength of the economy of the State of Washington and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, The unusually rapid pace of development of computing technology threatens to obscure the history of this realm of human endeavor; and

WHEREAS, In 2005, the Living Computer Museum (originally PDP Planet) of Seattle, Washington, was created by Mr. Paul Allen with the intention of preserving historically significant interactive and timesharing computer systems that spawned and shaped the open and accessible information society of today; and

WHEREAS, The Living Computer Museum is chartered to preserve not only the physical artifacts of computing, but also the art and practice of information technology as it evolved over time; and

WHEREAS, The Living Computer Museum is committed to sharing this history proactively through engagement with other museums, academic institutions, and the general public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize the Living Computer Museum for its role in the preservation of the history of information technology, as that technology has transformed our state and our world; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted to the Living Computer Museum, Mr. Paul Allen, Vulcan Incorporated, The Computer History Museum, Mountain View, California, and the Smithsonian Institution.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8721, adopted by the Senate March 17, 2010

THOMAS HOEMANN Secretary of the Senate