SENATE RESOLUTION 8665

By Senators Frockt, Kohl-Welles, Schoesler, Holmquist Newbry, Fraser, Harper, Benton, Pridemore, Kline, Kastama, McAuliffe, Parlette, Sheldon, Brown, Tom, Rolfes, Conway, Delvin, Nelson, Hobbs, Hatfield, Padden, Hewitt, Hargrove, Eide, Shin, Regala, Haugen, Kilmer, Pflug, and Ranker

WHEREAS, Scott White was a devoted husband, father, legislator, public servant, and a proud son of the State of Washington until his untimely death on October 21, 2011, at the age of 41; and WHEREAS, Scott White's tragic death shocked and saddened all who had the privilege to

know and work with him; and

WHEREAS, Scott White's career was marked by a love of family and community and a passion for public service; and

WHEREAS, Scott White was educated in the Olympia, Washington public school system, beginning a relationship with the school system that paved the way for his becoming one of Washington's leading advocates in the field of public education; and

WHEREAS, Scott White's career of public service began shortly after graduation from Western Washington University and the completion of postgraduate work at the University of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Scott White's love of public service led him to serve as an analyst and senior manager with King County, Washington and the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, The call to service led Scott White to run for and win election to the Washington State House of Representatives in the 46th Legislative District in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Scott White served with distinction in the Washington State House until being appointed to the Washington State Senate in the 46th Legislative District in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Scott White served with distinction in the Washington State Senate as the Majority Whip, Vice Chair of the Senate Committee on Transportation, member of the Senate Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development, and member of the Senate Rules Committee until his death; and

WHEREAS, Scott White repeatedly and dutifully argued for the best interests of his constituents in the 46th Legislative District, the City of Seattle, King County, and the people of Washington State; and

WHEREAS, Scott White's advocacy for Washington's public schools in general and Seattle Public Schools in particular are deserving of recognition and memorialization within the Seattle School District to ensure that his legacy lives on; and

WHEREAS, Scott White's passion for public service was in evidence outside of the Senate chambers as he served on the Board of Trustees for Humanities Washington and on the Public Policy Committee for the United Way of King County; and

WHEREAS, Scott White's love of family, love of state, and love of service should serve as a model for all and a monument to a lifetime of selfless work to better the lives of the people of the 46th Legislative District, the City of Seattle, King County, and the people of Washington State;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor the lifetime and accomplishments of our former colleague, Senator Scott White, and pledge to dedicate ourselves and our work in the 2012 Legislative session to his memory.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8665, adopted by the Senate January 13, 2012

THOMAS HOEMANN Secretary of the Senate