By Senators Haugen, Eide, Litzow, Prentice, Kastama, Benton, Regala, Honeyford, Hill, Conway, Delvin, Stevens, Chase, Tom, Kline, Pridemore, Carrell, Roach, Baumgartner, Zarelli, Padden, Keiser, Pflug, Holmquist Newbry, Schoesler, Morton, Harper, Sheldon, King, Ranker, Swecker, Shin, Fain, Parlette, Rolfes, Frockt, Ericksen, Hargrove, Hobbs, Hatfield, Kilmer, Brown, Nelson, Hewitt, Murray, Becker, Fraser, McAuliffe, and Kohl-Welles

WHEREAS, Tony V. Radulescu was born August 7, 1967, in Bucharest, Romania, emigrated to America and graduated from Harrison High School in Harrison, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Tony V. Radulescu served honorably in the U.S. Army from July 17, 1986, through June 17, 1996, and remained as an active member of the U.S. Army Reserve until retiring January 1, 2008, after 20 years of military service to his country; and

WHEREAS, Tony V. Radulescu was commissioned with the 79th Trooper Basic Training Class as a Washington State Patrol trooper and assigned to Bremerton; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Tony V. Radulescu connected so well with students in Kitsap County schools that he was repeatedly called back to speak time and again by popular demand; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Tony V. Radulescu performed his duties with an infectious smile and enjoyed spreading laughter among his friends, coworkers, and community; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Tony V. Radulescu honored Washington State Patrol Badge #557 on his chest and on his Patrol car license plate every day through selfless and courageous service; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Tony V. Radulescu was killed in the line of duty on February 23, 2012, after serving more than 16 years with the Washington State Patrol; and

WHEREAS, Trooper Tony V. Radulescu will be missed dearly by his brothers and sisters in the State Patrol family as well as those he touched throughout the community;

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate joins with the family, dear friends, and extended family of Trooper Tony V. Radulescu in mourning their and the state's incalculable personal and professional loss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate extends its deep appreciation and compassion to the dedicated families of State Patrol troopers, who all too often lose their loved ones in valiant service to their community and state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate commends, salutes, and memorializes Trooper Tony V. Radulescu for his exceptional service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the surviving family members of Trooper Tony V. Radulescu; Washington State Patrol Chief John Batiste; and Washington State Patrol Bremerton District Commander Bob Johnson.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8700, adopted by the Senate February 29, 2012

THOMAS HOEMANN Secretary of the Senate