

SENATE RESOLUTION

8682

By Senators McCoy, Nelson, Billig, Liias, Angel, Bailey, Baumgartner, Becker, Braun, Brown, Carlyle, Chase, Cleveland, Conway, Darneille, Dhingra, Ericksen, Fain, Fortunato, Frockt, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Hobbs, Honeyford, Hunt, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Miloscia, Mullet, O'Ban, Padden, Palumbo, Pedersen, Ranker, Rivers, Rolfes, Saldaña, Schoesler, Sheldon, Short, Takko, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Walsh, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, and Zeiger

1 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser was first elected to the Washington State
2 House of Representatives in 1989 and then elected to the Senate in
3 1993; and

4 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser was a dedicated public servant, faithfully
5 and tirelessly representing the people of the 22nd district for
6 twenty-eight years and retired in 2016; and

7 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser started her political career as a citizen
8 advocate for women's rights and as a legislative intern through the
9 Ford Foundation; and

10 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser has served the people in over seven public
11 offices, from a member of the City of Lacey planning committee, to
12 the Mayor of Lacey and a Thurston County Commissioner; and

13 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser has worked diligently on a wide breadth of
14 issues, including education, the environment, social services, public
15 safety, and more; and

16 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser lists her greatest achievement in office
17 as, "Representing the 22nd district to the best of my ability on a
18 very comprehensive basis"; and

19 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser was a leader in the Senate as the capital
20 budget chair, pensions chair, administrative committee chair, and
21 Democratic Caucus chair; and

22 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser has been dignified with numerous awards,
23 including The Imperial Decoration: Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays

1 with Rosette by the Government of Japan; YMCA's Women of
2 Distinction; Washington Council of Police and Sheriffs
3 Legislator of the year in 2000; and Washington Low Income
4 Housing Alliance's Hero Award in 2005; and

5 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser received her bachelor of arts degree
6 in Sociology and her Master of Public Administration from the
7 University of Washington; and

8 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser continues to give back her knowledge
9 as an adjunct faculty at The Evergreen State College, teaching
10 in a Master of Public Administration program, as well as
11 maintaining many other leadership roles, including being a
12 member of the Evans School of Public Policy and Governance
13 Advisory Board, former chair and board member of the Washington
14 Institute for Public Policy, and a member of the Lacey
15 Leadership Council; and

16 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser is an avid outdoorswoman, has summited
17 four of Washington's major peaks, and won numerous awards racing
18 her sailboat in Puget Sound; and

19 WHEREAS, Karen Fraser is the loving mother of one daughter,
20 with her husband Tim Malone, and a grandmother of two
21 granddaughters;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State
23 Senate recognize Senator Karen Fraser and the contributions she
24 made to the state and the people during her twenty-eight years
25 of service in the legislature.

26 I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate,
27 do hereby certify that this is a true and
28 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8682,
29 adopted by the Senate
30 January 17, 2018

31 BRAD HENDRICKSON
32 Secretary of the Senate