SENATE RESOLUTION 1991-8634

By Senators von Reichbauer, McMullen, Amondson, Anderson, Bailey, Barr, Bauer, Bluechel, Cantu, Conner, Craswell, Erwin, Gaspard, Hansen, Hayner, Jesernig, Johnson, L. Kreidler, Madsen, Matson, McCaslin, McDonald, Metcalf, Moore, Murray, Nelson, Newhouse, Niemi, Oke, Owen, Patterson, Pelz, Rasmussen, Rinehart, Roach, Saling, Sellar, Skratek, A. Smith, L. Smith, Snyder, Stratton, Sutherland, Talmadge, Thorsness, Vognild, West, Williams and Wojahn

WHEREAS, For the sake of world peace, freedom and justice, citizens from across Washington put their plans, their careers and their lives on hold to fight aggression in the Middle East as members of the Washington National Guard; and

WHEREAS, Men and women of the Washington National Guard joined with forces of an unprecedented international coalition to achieve a stunning victory for the rule of law over tyranny and aggression; and

WHEREAS, The people of the state of Washington take great pride in the confidence, bravery and sense of duty displayed by members of the Washington National Guard in accomplishing their goals in Operation Desert Storm; and

WHEREAS, In the process of confronting an enemy abroad, Washington National Guard soldiers and airmen and other members of the United States Armed Forces transformed a nation at home, spurring us all to rethink our values, our sense of duty, and our national purpose; and

WHEREAS, Through their efforts, members of the Washington National Guard have played a pivotal role in forging a world blessed with the promise of peace, freedom and respect for human rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honors with gratitude each and every member of the Washington National Guard for their valiant service in the hard work of freedom; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, with open arms, members of the Washington State Senate are honored to hereby welcome home their friends and neighbors serving in the Washington National Guard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate encourages the communities of this state to heed the President's call to make July 4, 1991, a very special and memorable day of celebration for returning Washington troops; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate thanks Washington employers of the men and women of the National Guard for the sacrifice and patriotism that makes possible the Guard's ability to respond to disasters in communities here and abroad; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the adjutant general of the Washington National Guard and to the President of the United States, The Honorable George Bush.

I, Gordon A. Golob, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 1991-8634, adopted by the Senate March 14, 1991.