## SENATE RESOLUTION 1991-8675

By Senators Madsen, von Reichbauer, Rasmussen, Johnson, Amondson, Wojahn and Gaspard

- WHEREAS, Pacific Lutheran University is one of the most honored and respected private institutions of higher education, and with its 3,875 students is the largest private school in the Northwest and the largest Lutheran university in North America; and
- WHEREAS, Pacific Lutheran University has achieved this status over one hundred years of remarkable achievements, dramatic difficulties, and tenacious loyalty; and
- WHEREAS, Pacific Lutheran University was founded in 1890 by men and women of the Lutheran Church in the Northwest who held education as a venerated part of their Scandinavian and Germanic traditions; and
- WHEREAS, Pacific Lutheran University began as an academy, became a junior college in 1920, started offering four-year college education in 1940, and achieved university status in 1962; and
- WHEREAS, Since the founding of Pacific Lutheran University, there have been nearly 27,000 graduates and approximately seventy-five percent of them have stayed as contributing citizens in the Northwest; and
- WHEREAS, Dr. William O. Rieke, the university's eleventh president, is an alumnus of Pacific Lutheran University and has served as president since 1975;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate commends Pacific Lutheran University on its one hundred years of education and service in the State of Washington; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate recognizes and encourages Pacific Lutheran University as it moves into its next century with the theme: "Educating for Service--Century II"; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit this resolution to Dr. William O. Rieke, President of Pacific Lutheran University.
- I, Gordon A. Golob, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 1991-8675, adopted by the Senate April 28, 1991.