SENATE RESOLUTION 8642

By Senators Thibaudeau, Kastama, Franklin, Fraser, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, Spanel and Rasmussen

WHEREAS, One of Washington's most beautiful landmarks is the state Capitol Campus; and

WHEREAS, The campus, built before 1920, comprises 50 buildings, which are spread out over 420 acres and cover more than 5 million square feet; and

WHEREAS, The Olmsted brothers created the landscape design of the capitol grounds in 1928; and

WHEREAS, The Capitol Campus hosts 650,000 visitors annually; and

WHEREAS, The campus consists of buildings and lands owned by the state including East, West, and North Capitol campuses; Sylvester, Heritage, and Centennial parks; Deschutes Parkway; Capitol Lake; the Old Capitol Building; and the Tumwater and Lacey campuses; and

WHEREAS, The custodial and grounds maintenance personnel are dedicated to preserving and protecting the heritage of state buildings, land furnishings, and landscape architecture of the Capitol Campus and its satellite campuses; and

WHEREAS, These 233 employees represent state government, consistently reflecting the importance, elegance, and stature of state government facilities; and

WHEREAS, Often unseen, the Capitol Facilities staff always provide friendly, efficient, and quality service in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, From blooming tulips, to freshly cut grass - from falling leaves to rainslicked streets - the custodial and maintenance staff work tirelessly, ensuring the Capitol Campus remains a kaleidoscope of colors throughout the changing seasons;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor the 233 men and women of the Department of General Administration's Division of Capitol Facilities, commending their dedication and stewardship in maintaining a beautiful and safe environment for state employees and visitors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Robert Fukai, director of General Administration, and Bill Moore, assistant director of the Division of Capitol Facilities.

I, Milton H. Doumit, Jr., Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8642, adopted by the Senate April 8, 2003

MILTON H. DOUMIT, JR. Secretary of the Senate