SENATE RESOLUTION 8696

By Senators Esser, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, Johnson, Fraser and McAuliffe

WHEREAS, Dick Spady co-founded *Dick's* Drive-in Restaurants; and

WHEREAS, *Dick's* Drive-in Restaurants have served the greater Seattle community for 50 years since its opening day on January 28, 1954; and

WHEREAS, The people of the State of Washington have enjoyed countless numbers of *Dick's* mouth-watering hamburgers, fresh fries, and hand-dipped shakes served by the hands of a friendly staff; and

WHEREAS, *Dick's* has maintained its principles of quality food and customer service at a low price throughout its 50 years and expansion to five restaurants; and

WHEREAS, *Dick's* gives back to the greater Seattle community through its outstanding consideration for its 120 employees, as evidenced by the company's high wages, frequent pay raises, health insurance benefits, paid time off for community service, subsidized day care, and \$12,000 college scholarships; and

WHEREAS, Customers have come to know *Dick's* Drive-in Restaurant as a place to go to experience camaraderie, spark up a romance, and feel a sense of community among workers and customers alike; and

WHEREAS, Apart from his business, Dick Spady has given back to the community through his work with the Forum Foundation to create a "symbolic dialogue" between citizens and elected officials; and

WHEREAS, Dick Spady has worked to incorporate this symbolic dialogue in all his interpersonal relations, from his work with his staff and suppliers to his work with state legislators;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate officially recognize Dick Spady for his service to the greater Seattle community as a small business owner and community activist on the 50th anniversary of *Dick's* Drive-in Restaurant's opening day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate does hereby celebrate January 28, 2004, *Dick's* Drive-in Appreciation Day, and wishes the "*Dick's* family" a happy 50th anniversary.

I, Milton H. Doumit, Jr., Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8696, adopted by the Senate January 28, 2004

MILTON H. DOUMIT, JR. Secretary of the Senate