

SENATE RESOLUTION  
8697

By Senators Horn, Esser and B. Sheldon

WHEREAS, There are 210 local chambers of commerce in the State of Washington representing approximately 55,000 small businesses which, in turn, employ over 2,800,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, Washington State Chambers raise over \$25,000,000 annually for local community enrichment projects, involving more than 15,000 volunteers who give generously of their time and talent; and

WHEREAS, Washington State Chambers managed in excess of 3,000,000 visitor and relocation inquiries last year, and at the same time served over 35,000 businesses seeking information about locating their companies in our state; and

WHEREAS, Chambers of Commerce across Washington State have served their local communities with distinction, dedication, and dignity enhancing the state's economy and improving the quality of life for its citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate officially recognize the invaluable work local Chambers of Commerce provide both the economy and the citizens of this state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the United States Chamber of Commerce in Washington D.C.

I, Milton H. Doumit, Jr., Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8697,  
adopted by the Senate  
January 27, 2004

MILTON H. DOUMIT, JR.  
Secretary of the Senate