## SENATE RESOLUTION 8708

By Senators Winsley and Thibaudeau

WHEREAS, The Arts are integral to building healthy communities and nurturing the mindful advancement of our culture; and

WHEREAS, The Arts are a vital contributor to the economic well-being and financial success of communities and individuals throughout our state; and

WHEREAS, The Arts are as essential to our lives as is the air we breathe, an end unto themselves, and a necessary method of creating a compassionate, passionate, aware, and respectful society; and

WHEREAS, The Arts are a valued, fundamental component of learning for children, at-risk youth, and adults, whether in the classroom or in other settings in life; and

WHEREAS, Artists, patrons, and supporters come to Olympia from every corner of the state to attend Arts Day, to celebrate and acknowledge the Arts as an indispensable part of our community life;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize that the Arts in Washington are vital to our future by celebrating February 19, 2004, as Arts Day 2004; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Honorable Gary Locke, Governor of the State of Washington.

I, Milton H. Doumit, Jr., Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8708, adopted by the Senate March 8, 2004

MILTON H. DOUMIT, JR. Secretary of the Senate