SENATE RESOLUTION 8658

By Senator Rolfes

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1 WHEREAS, Military spouses and caregivers embody the courage, 2 sense of duty, and love of country that inspire every American; and

WHEREAS, Military spouses make tremendous sacrifices, including enduring long separations, assuming household responsibilities, and caring for children while their loved ones are away; and

WHEREAS, Military spouses and caregivers act with patience, selflessness, and compassion while serving as the frontline of this country's conscience to ensure the appropriate care of soldiers returning from duty; and

10 WHEREAS, Many military spouses and primary caregivers of veterans 11 care for those with serious conditions, including traumatic brain 12 injuries and posttraumatic stress disorder; and

WHEREAS, Many military spouses and caregivers are also volunteers in their communities who serve the needs of other military families; and

16 WHEREAS, Our communities are stronger when military spouses and 17 families are afforded adequate employment, child care, and 18 educational opportunities; and

19 WHEREAS, The nation benefits from the sacrifices of military 20 families and is inspired by their courage, strength, and leadership; 21 and

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WHEREAS, Throughout the year, we honor the commitment military spouses and caregivers have made to their loved ones, our country, and our freedom;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington state Senate recognize military spouses and caregivers for their service, sacrifice, and dedication to their families and their country.

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