SENATE RESOLUTION 8665

By Senator King

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1 WHEREAS, For over thirty years, Resolution Washington and their 2 dispute resolution centers (DRCs) have focused on delivering 3 effective and free or low-cost conflict resolution services in 4 collaboration with the courts and for the public; and

WHEREAS, The DRCs seek to create safer, more peaceful communities by improving communication among community stakeholders by fostering reconciliation, reducing racial tensions, and building trust between the public and local officials; and

WHEREAS, Every DRC offers mediation, facilitation, training and mediator certification, public education, and programs tailored to meet their community's needs; and

12 WHEREAS, In March 2019, Sarah Augustine and the DRC of Yakima and 13 Kittitas counties, were awarded the Washington Mediation President's 14 Award; and

WHEREAS, The award was in recognition of the work Sarah and the DRC has done establishing Community Response teams in the Yakima Valley, bringing civil discourse and cooperation to the community through the collaboration of elected officials, law enforcement, neighborhood activists, and Heritage University students; and

20 WHEREAS, In May 2019, Resolution Washington was selected to 21 receive the 2019 Access to Justice Community Leadership Award for 22 playing a strategic, significant, and courageous leadership role in 23 improving access to the justice system;

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- 1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State
- 2 Senate remember and honor Resolution Washington for assisting to
- 3 create safer, more peaceful communities in Washington by
- 4 assisting residents in resolving conflicts from a position of
- 5 strength and authenticity.
- 6 I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate,
- 7 do hereby certify that this is a true and
- 8 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8665,
- 9 adopted by the Senate
- 10 January 28, 2020
- 11 BRAD HENDRICKSON
- 12 Secretary of the Senate

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