SENATE RESOLUTION 8631

By Senator Boehnke

1 WHEREAS, FIRST Lego League introduces science, technology, 2 engineering, and math, known as STEM, to children ages 4 through 16 3 with exciting hands-on learning. Participants gain real-world and 4 problem-solving experiences through a guided, global robotics 5 program, helping today's students and teachers build a better future 6 together; and

7 WHEREAS, The Intelligent Mademoiselles is a FIRST Lego League 8 team of six elementary and middle school girls from West Richland; 9 and

10 WHEREAS, In keeping with this year's challenge "Superpowered," 11 The Intelligent Mademoiselles visited Benton REA's co-op solar farm 12 in West Richland, where they observed that dusty solar panels lose 13 energy output; and

14 WHEREAS, The Intelligent Mademoiselles compared clean and dirty 15 solar panels and found that dirty solar panels decreased electric 16 production by 12 percent; and

WHEREAS, The Intelligent Mademoiselles designed and built a Lego robot called the Roof Rover that cleans dirty solar panels to increase their production of renewable electricity; and

20 WHEREAS, The Intelligent Mademoiselles competed against 28 other 21 teams in a FIRST Washington Lego League competition in December; and 22 WHEREAS, The Intelligent Mademoiselles won first place in this

23 FIRST Washington Lego League competition;

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize 2 the accomplishments of The Intelligent Mademoiselles, and the 3 efforts of all girls in programs like FIRST Washington's to 4 break historic barriers.

5 I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate,
6 do hereby certify that this is a true and
7 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8631,
8 adopted by the Senate

9 March 27, 2023

10 SARAH BANNISTER

11 Secretary of the Senate