

SENATE RESOLUTION

8633

By Senators Schoesler, Dozier, Hasegawa, Holy, Keiser, King, Lovick, Padden, Rivers, Wagoner, and Warnick

1 WHEREAS, Stephen Roy Lindstrom was born in Pendleton, Oregon, on
2 May 20, 1946; and

3 WHEREAS, Stephen grew up in Ione, Oregon, becoming the fourth
4 generation of Swedish homesteaders; and

5 WHEREAS, He started his schooling career attending schools
6 throughout Ione, Oregon; and

7 WHEREAS, Stephen had always been an overachiever, participating
8 in sports, student government, music, and community affairs while in
9 high school; and

10 WHEREAS, Of course he graduated from high school with honors; and

11 WHEREAS, Stephen started college at Pacific Lutheran University
12 and ultimately graduated from Eastern Oregon College; and

13 WHEREAS, After college, Stephen enlisted in the U.S. Navy
14 Seabees; and

15 WHEREAS, He served several tours of duty in Vietnam and
16 Antarctica; and

17 WHEREAS, During his military service Stephen was awarded many
18 honors and medals for his service, most notably the Navy Achievement
19 Medal for Community Service; and

20 WHEREAS, After his service he worked as the manager of the Port
21 of Marrow; and

1 WHEREAS, Stephen's start in politics came when he worked as
2 the Vice President of Pacific Northwest Waterways, where he was
3 an advocate for trade and economic development of the Northwest;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, To continue in politics, Stephen worked as a
6 contract lobbyist and lobbied in Olympia for over 40 years; and

7 WHEREAS, During this 40 years, Stephen lobbied for many
8 different clients, ranging from transportation to health care,
9 higher education, special districts, business associations, and
10 more; and

11 WHEREAS, Over the 40 years, he collected many obscure trivia
12 facts, so he always had a "Did you know..." for everything; and

13 WHEREAS, Stephen was selected as a contract lobbyist in 1991
14 to help the Washington Student Lobby; and

15 WHEREAS, Stephen was hired by Brendan Williams, who still to
16 this day does not regret the decision, stating, "Steve was a
17 character, one-of-a-kind. I never regretted choosing him for
18 that special role," and Stephen mentored dozens of lobbyists in
19 his four-decade career; and

20 WHEREAS, Stephen also created the Wednesday Night Study
21 Group, a group of health care professionals, advocates,
22 regulators, and legislators, which he was passionate about and
23 even scouted out the venues, and chose the food, drink, and
24 guests for years and years, making sure that the group's week
25 was up to his own epic sense of standards; and

26 WHEREAS, Over the years, Stephen collected many pieces of
27 historical art, as he was committed to historical preservation;
28 and

29 WHEREAS, Stephen served on the Washington State Capital
30 Facilities Committee, serving the State Capitol and the State of
31 Washington with a commitment to art and historic preservation;
32 and

33 WHEREAS, Stephen truly was a man who believed one should
34 live a life of showing kindness to all and enhancing the lives
35 of those you meet;

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate of the state
37 of Washington recognize and commemorate Stephen Roy Lindstrom on
38 his outstanding service and consideration to everyone.

1 I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate,
2 do hereby certify that this is a true and
3 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8633,
4 adopted by the Senate
5 April 3, 2023

6 SARAH BANNISTER
7 Secretary of the Senate