By Senator McMullen

WHEREAS, The beautiful Skagit Valley is the tulip capital of the Northwest; and

WHEREAS, Every April the tulips are in bloom celebrating the beginning of spring; and

WHEREAS, The Skagit Valley begins the festival season in Washington State with the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival; and

WHEREAS, The eighth annual event will run from April 5 through April 21, with the festival focusing around the towns of Sedro Woolley, Burlington, Anacortes, La Conner, and Mt. Vernon; and

WHEREAS, Nearly one-half million people visited the festival last year, bringing pleasure and excitement to visitors and a strong economic impact to the Skagit Valley; and

WHEREAS, Visitors will be overwhelmed by more than one thousand five hundred acres of tulips reflecting all the colors of the rainbow and by the fullness of life in the valley and its wonderful people; and

WHEREAS, The Festival of Foods, Street Fair, Sousa Concert, Paccar Open House, 10K Slug Run, and the Great Skagit Duck Race highlight the event;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate salute the five communities of Skagit County and their Chambers of Commerce for their Skagit County Tulip Festival; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we commend the community leaders and corporate sponsors responsible for the success of this important event and that we encourage citizens from across Washington State to take the time to enjoy the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate issue this resolution in recognition of the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival April 5 through April 22, 1991

I, Gordon A. Golob, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 1991-8652, adopted by the Senate April 8, 1991.