SENATE RESOLUTION 1994-8658

By Senators Franklin, Gaspard, Skratek, Prentice, Prince, Loveland, Haugen, McAuliffe, Owen, Sutherland, Morton, Wojahn, Rasmussen, Ludwig, Fraser, Spanel, Roach, Quigley, Snyder, A. Smith, Pelz, Talmadge and Bauer

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., dedicated his life to the proposition that we are all created equal, endowed by our Creator with the inalienable rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's principles exemplified the ideal of one nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King fought tirelessly, yet nonviolently, for social, economic, and educational equality for all persons; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King had the courage and dedication to stand up for the rights of all - rich and poor; young and old; black, brown, red, yellow, and white; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King taught us to judge people by the content of their character rather than the color of their skin; and

WHEREAS, The work and legacy of Dr. King continues to confirm the strength of our country and its dedication to the principles that justice must overcome injustice, that peace must overcome violence, that love must triumph over hate; and

WHEREAS, We, the members of the Washington State Senate are privileged to pay tribute to a man who set an example of strength and dedication to principles; and

WHEREAS, January 17, 1994, is the day we honor the life and legacy of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., as both a Washington state and federal holiday;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate pay homage to one of this country's most honorable and honored citizens, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and call on all Washingtonians to continue his work toward the principles of love, hope, peace, freedom, and equality; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate urge every Washington corporation, business, and employer to join our state and nation in commemorating Dr. King's life and work.

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 1994-8658, adopted by the Senate January 17, 1994.

MARTY BROWN Secretary of the Senate