

**SENATE RESOLUTION
1994-8700**

By Senators Spanel and Haugen

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

WHEREAS, Tulips are the harbingers of spring; and

WHEREAS, There are one thousand five hundred acres in the Skagit Valley planted in tulips ready to bloom; and

WHEREAS, This year's eleventh annual Skagit Valley Tulip Festival will run from April 1 through April 17, focusing on the communities of Sedro-Woolley, Burlington, Anacortes, LaConner, and Mount Vernon; and

WHEREAS, Approximately half a million people visited the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival last year, participating in the joy and excitement of this annual event and contributing almost five million dollars to the economy of the Skagit Valley; and

WHEREAS, Highlights of the annual event include the Mount Vernon Street Fair, a Sousa band concert, an International Volks Walk, a 10K Slug Run/Walk, a Paccar Open House, a Tulip Pedal bicycle ride, a 10K walk through the Skagit Valley tulip fields and farmlands, and a new addition this year, the Key Bank Flower & Garden Show;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate applaud the five communities of the Skagit Valley and their chambers of commerce for hosting the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we commend and honor the community leaders and corporate sponsors responsible for the success of this important event and encourage citizens from across Washington state to take the time to enjoy this spectacular floral display; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate issue this resolution in recognition of the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival, April 1 through April 17, 1994.

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1994-8700,
adopted by the Senate March 10, 1994.

MARTY BROWN
Secretary of the Senate