SENATE RESOLUTION 1995-8656

By Senators Fraser, Drew, Fairley, Prentice, Winsley, Wood, Oke, Spanel, Snyder, Gaspard, Sheldon, Wojahn, Heavey, Smith, Moyer, Prince, Hale and Kohl

WHEREAS, Saturday, April 22, 1995, is the twenty-fifth anniversary of Earth Day, a day of recognition founded by residents of the state of Washington, and now celebrated throughout the nation and in many parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, Washington State is blessed with quality, liveable cities and communities that are surrounded by the beauty and richness of abundant and diverse natural resources, spectacular mountain ranges, marine waters and shorelines of the Pacific Ocean and Puget Sound, rich and diverse forests, the mighty Columbia and many other significant rivers, wide prairies and rich agricultural lands, innumerable and delightful lakes and streams, abundant ground water, safe drinking water, some of the cleanest and healthiest air in the world, native fish and wildlife, migratory birds and whales, and a vast array of plant life; and

WHEREAS, Washington State is equally blessed with thoughtful, caring citizens who appreciate and depend on these natural resources for their beauty, their intrinsic values, their economic values, their community values, their recreational values, and their inspirational values; and

WHEREAS, Washington State has been a national leader in citizen involvement and business development in environmental quality, cooperative natural resource management, waste reduction and recycling, toxic and nuclear cleanup, and energy conservation; and

WHEREAS, In commemoration of Earth Day, tens of thousands of Washington residents will participate in events that will educate citizens concerning our state's natural resources and that enhance those resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Senate of the state of Washington, That appreciation is expressed to those who are volunteering their time and talents to organize or participate in Earth Day activities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all citizens are encouraged to use the occasion of Earth Day to renew their commitments to responsible stewardship of Washington State's unique, wonderful, and rich natural resources and to participate in the many planned activities in communities throughout the state.

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 1995-8656, adopted by the Senate April 21, 1995.

MARTY BROWN Secretary of the Senate