

SENATE RESOLUTION
1995-8666

By Senators Kohl, Prentice, Rinehart, Fairley, Heavey, Pelz and Anderson, C.

WHEREAS, The Northwest Folklife Festival kicks off its twenty-fourth annual celebration of world cultures and traditional ethnic arts at the Seattle Center on Friday, May 26th; and

WHEREAS, The four-day festival is a major cultural event in and of itself, attracting more than 180,000 visitors and bringing more than 6,000 participants from more than one hundred countries to demonstrate their arts; and

WHEREAS, The festival contains seventeen stages, which will feature a 1,000-member dance and music performance, including presentations by Scandinavian Hambo players, Eastern European line dancers, African Marimba players, and old-time fiddlers; and

WHEREAS, The Folklife Museum, as part of the festival, will present a retrospective exhibit of works by renowned Filipino painter Valeriano Laigo; and

WHEREAS, The international Children's Village will give kids a hands-on opportunity to experience the cultures of Asia, Africa, Europe and the Americas; and

WHEREAS, The Uncommon Market will give festival goers a chance to sample ethnic cuisine at eighty booths; and

WHEREAS, The festival encourages visitors to actively experience the ethnic arts by participating in international folk dancing, music workshops, sing-alongs, and jam sessions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate hereby recognize and celebrate the social, cultural and economic enrichment that the Northwest Folklife Festival brings to Washington State residents every year.

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1995-8666,
adopted by the Senate May 23, 1995.

MARTY BROWN
Secretary of the Senate