

SENATE RESOLUTION
1995-8669

By Senators Gaspard, Wojahn, Snyder, A. Anderson, C. Anderson, Bauer, Cantu, Deccio, Drew, Fairley, Finkbeiner, Franklin, Fraser, Hale, Hargrove, Haugen, Heavey, Hochstatter, Johnson, Kohl, Long, Loveland, McAuliffe, McCaslin, McDonald, Morton, Moyer, Newhouse, Oke, Owen, Palmer, Pelz, Prentice, Prince, Quigley, Rasmussen, Rinehart, Roach, Schow, Sellar, Sheldon, Smith, Spanel, Strannigan, Sutherland, Swecker, West, Winsley, and Wood

WHEREAS, The evolution from ticker tape and typewriters to lap top computers and e-mail has changed the nature of the news business forever; and

WHEREAS, Even with the changes in technology, some constants have remained; and

WHEREAS, John White of The Associated Press and his inimitable style of reporting is one of the constants; and

WHEREAS, The definition of "curmudgeon" should read "Senior Olympia Chief of Bureau in long, white trenchcoat"; and

WHEREAS, During his quarter century in the Capitol Press Corps, John White outlasted four governors and hundreds of legislators; and

WHEREAS, Being interviewed by John White was often a baptism by fire for a rookie politician; and

WHEREAS, Twenty-five years of covering the Legislature is probably enough for both John White and those he has written about; and

WHEREAS, The word has been spread that this will be John White's last year of full-time duty, even though he may have to return for one payday in 1996 to ensure his golden parachute opens as planned,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Washington breathes a collective sigh of relief and wishes John the best in whatever endeavor he chooses to undertake; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be sent to John White at the White House on the Capitol Campus.

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1995-8669,
adopted by the Senate May 25, 1995.

MARTY BROWN
Secretary of the Senate