

**SENATE RESOLUTION  
1998-8691**

By Senator Brown

WHEREAS, Our senior population and retirees are important segments of society capable of providing such joy to their communities; and

WHEREAS, Bringing joy to others through community service is one of the greatest personal joys in life; and

WHEREAS, In May 1972, Marion Herzer designed an innovative arts program for seniors in the Spokane area; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Office on Aging, the Spokane Parks and Recreation Department and private organizations supported this senior cultural service program; and

WHEREAS, Today, Project JOY provides multiple entertainment programs for Spokane seniors and the general public; and

WHEREAS, Both the young and old benefit from Project JOY's performances at nursing homes, hospitals, civic organizations, retirement centers, and schools; and

WHEREAS, Project JOY's 280 volunteer entertainers include clowns, square dancers, choirs, puppeteers, vaudeville actors, a senior orchestra and a kitchen band; and

WHEREAS, The program also provides employment and leadership opportunities for qualified seniors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Washington State Senate do hereby recognize the value of twenty-five years of entertainment and cultural value Project JOY has provided the Spokane community.

I, Mike O'Connell, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1998-8691,  
adopted by the Senate March 7, 1998.

**MIKE O'CONNELL**  
Secretary of the Senate