SENATE RESOLUTION 1999-8625

By Senators Haugen, Spanel, Eide and Fraser

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to honor meritorious service and to recognize excellence in all fields of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, As modern society continues to grow more complex with each passing year, the necessity for innovative people becomes even more apparent; and

WHEREAS, No nation can function effectively without the most efficient waste management systems; and

WHEREAS, Paul F. Brewer has been a leader in the field of waste recycling as the Director of Solid Waste Management at the Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island; and

WHEREAS, Paul F. Brewer has been the driving force behind the successful Navy Whidbey Recycle program; and

WHEREAS, The Navy Whidbey Recycle program has received numerous awards, including the White House Closing the Loop—Award, and drawn praise from, among others, Vice President Albert Gore, Keep America Beautiful, Inc., the Office of the Federal Environmental Executive, the National Awards Council for Environmental Sustainability, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Chief of Naval Operations; and

WHEREAS, In a state already known for its innovative and progressive recycling efforts, the recycling program at NAS Whidbey stands out as a leader in waste reduction and completing the loop by encouraging the purchase of products made of recycled materials; and

WHEREAS, The Navy Whidbey Recycle program serves not only NAS Whidbey, but also its 35,000 neighbors in the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, Because of the Navy Whidbey Recycle program, NAS Whidbey and its neighbors now recycle as much as 6,500 tons of material a year, saving taxpayers at least \$1.5 million a year in disposal costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate of the state of Washington hereby recognize and honor the outstanding contributions to our environment and our community by Paul F. Brewer and the Navy Whidbey Recycle program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Mr. Paul F. Brewer.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 1999-8625, adopted by the Senate February 24, 199.

TONY M. COOK Secretary of the Senate