

**SENATE RESOLUTION
1999-8627**

By Senators McAuliffe, Spanel, Eide and Fraser

WHEREAS, Reading is the foundation upon which all other learning is built; and

WHEREAS, Read Across America–, a national celebration of Dr. Seuss’s birthday on March 2nd, promotes reading and adult involvement in the education of our children; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Seuss’s love of children and learning has been an inspiration for millions of young readers; and

WHEREAS, Parents and grandparents can relive the thrill of learning to read while helping each child explore the world between a book’s cover; and

WHEREAS, By reading, a child can visit foreign lands, meet historical figures, travel through time, and even learn to love green eggs and ham; and

WHEREAS, Reading is the catalyst for our students’ future academic success, their preparation for the workforce, and their ability to become involved citizens; and

WHEREAS, Washington has set high standards for reading in our public schools, and students and educators throughout the state are improving their practices to rise to the challenge; and

WHEREAS, All children should be so fortunate as to enjoy a good book and the company of an involved adult to read with on this day and every day;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Washington State Senate do hereby recognize March 2nd as Read Across America– day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we do hereby urge each and every citizen of the state of Washington to take the time to read with a child to celebrate Dr. Seuss’s birthday.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1999-8627,
adopted by the Senate February 24, 1999.

TONY M. COOK

Secretary of the Senate