SENATE RESOLUTION 2000-8701

By Senators Jacobsen, Thibaudeau, Kohl-Welles, Fraser, Oke, Eide, Spanel, Franklin, Fairley, Wojahn, McAuliffe, Prentice, Heavey, Kline, Roach, Brown, Sheldon, T., Morton, West, Rasmussen

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to recognize contributions of individuals who reflect the standards of excellence that enhance the well-being and quality of life of the citizens of the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, It is also the policy of the Washington State Legislature to honor the memory of such individuals; and

WHEREAS, Hazel Wolf, born in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, on March 10, 1898, immigrated to the United States in 1923 and became a respected leader and activist promoting numerous social and environmental causes; and

WHEREAS, Hazel Wolf devoted her life to protecting the environment and championing human rights, crusading with such drive and exuberance as to leave friends half her age in wonder; and

WHEREAS, Hazel Wolf was a dynamic organizer responsible for starting twenty-one of the twenty-six chapters of the National Audubon Society in Washington State, served as secretary of the Seattle Audubon Society for 37 years, and edited the newsletter of the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Hazel Wolf's activism was recognized with such awards as the Association of Biologists and Ecologists of Nicaragua Award for Work for the Conservation of Nature—in 1985, Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility's Paul Beeson Peace Award in 1995, the National Audubon Society's Medal of Excellence and an honorary doctorate degree from Seattle University in 1997, and Seattle's Spirit of America Award in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Hazel Wolf achieved her wish to live in three centuries before passing away on January 19, 2000, at the age of one hundred & one, having conducted herself with consummate grace and good humor and touching the lives of all who had the privilege of making her acquaintance;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize the many achievements of Hazel Wolf, honor her life, and pay homage to her legacy of standing up for the needy and disenfranchised, and making the effort to make a difference in our communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the continuation of the lifetime work of Hazel Wolf through the Seattle Audubon Society's Kids for the Environment– fund which connects urban children from lower-income communities with opportunities to experience the natural environment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to her daughter, Nydia Levick of Port Angeles, and her grandchildren, Juanita Commerce, Edward Levick, Dal Kilmer, Tom Levick and Ann Sargent, the Seattle Audubon Society, the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs, Olympic Park Associate and North Cascades Conservation Council.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 2000-8701, adopted by the Senate February 9, 2000. TONY M. COOK Secretary of the Senate