

**SENATE RESOLUTION**

**2000-8722**

*By Senators Kohl-Welles, Hale, McCaslin, Spanel, Sheldon B., Morton, Heavey, Johnson, Franklin, Haugen, Eide, Stevens, Rasmussen, McAuliffe, Snyder and Swecker*

*WHEREAS, On January 31, 2000, Alaska Airlines Flight 261 enroute to Seattle Tacoma International Airport went down off the coast of Southern California claiming the lives of eighty-eight people; and*

*WHEREAS, Forty-five of the passengers and two members of the crew lived in Washington State; and*

*WHEREAS, The invaluable crew of Alaska Airlines Flight 261, including Captain Ted Thompson, First Officer William Tansky, and Flight Attendants Kristin Mills, Craig Pulanco of Seattle, and Allison Shanks of Seattle, exemplified bravery and dedication in their attempts to avert disaster; and*

*WHEREAS, The Washington State Legislature has suffered the loss of Donald Shaw, a valued supervisor with the State Capitol Visitor Services Office, respected retired school principal of the Edmonds and Snohomish School Districts, father, grandfather, friend, and loving husband of Earlene Shaw, employee of the Senate Dining Room; and*

*WHEREAS, The Legislature has also been touched by this tragedy through the loss of Ryan and Abigail Busche, son and daughter-in-law of Jim Busche, a Senate Security Officer; and*

*WHEREAS, Communities throughout Washington State have been affected by the loss of the following individuals: Michael Bernard, Sheri Christiansen, David and Carolyn Clemetson and their children Coriander, Blake, Miles and Spencer, Avines Deo, Monte Donaldson, Meghann Hall, Rachel Janosik, Pastors Joe and Linda Knight, Rodney and Sarah Pearson and their children Rachel and Grace, Deborah Penna, Stanford Poll, Anjesh Prasad, Avini Prasad, Paul Clarke– Pulanco, Barbara Ryan, Bradford Ryan, Terry Ryan, Stacy Schuyler, Charlene Sipe, Ryan Sparks, Harry Stasinis, Thomas Stockley, Margaret Stockley, Robert Thorgrimson, Lorna Thorgrimson, Colleen Whorley, Bob Williams, and Patty Williams; and*

*WHEREAS, All passengers aboard Flight 261 will be remembered including: Lawrence Baldrige, Renato Bermudez, Malcolm Branson, William Bryant, Gabriela Chavez, Jacquelyn Choate, Toni Choate, John Cuthbertson, Dean Forshee, Jerri Fosmire, Allen Friedmann, Jean Gandesbery, Robert Gandesbery, Aloysius Han, Barbara Hatleberg, Glenn Hatleberg, Robert Hovey, Russell Ing, Karl Karlsson, Carol Karlsson, William Knudson, Rodrigo Laigo, Naomi Laigo, Ronald Lake, Joyce Lake, Bradley Long, James Luque, Juan Marquez, Ileana Ost, Bob Ost, Emily Ost, Cynthia Oti, Jean Permison, Charles Russell, James Ryan, Ellen Salyer, Joan Smith, Janice Stokes, Morris Thompson, Thelma Thompson, Cheryl Thompson, Nina Voronoff, and Steve Wilkie; and*

*WHEREAS, These individuals will be missed by their family, friends, and communities, but through our memory of them, they will not be forgotten;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That it is with deepest sympathy, the Senate of the state of Washington does hereby recognize and honor the lives and accomplishments of those lost in the fateful accident, and the strength of their families and friends in coping with this tragedy; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Earlene Shaw, Jim Busche, and John F. Kelly, President of Alaska Airlines.*

*I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 2000-8722,  
adopted by the Senate February 18, 2000.*

**TONY M. COOK**  
*Secretary of the Senate*