

**SENATE RESOLUTION  
2000-8749**

*By Senator Goings*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Keith Bateman served honorably as Sergeant and Officer of the Sumner Police Department since 1970; and*

*WHEREAS, Sgt. Bateman retires from duty on March 31, 2000; and*

*WHEREAS, Sgt. Bateman graduated from Sumner High School in 1964 and lived in the community with his family for most of his career; and*

*WHEREAS, Sgt. Bateman was one of the longest serving employees to the City of Sumner having completed nearly 30 years of service to the citizens of Sumner; and*

*WHEREAS, Sgt. Bateman was known as an Officer who walked the streets of Sumner talking with citizens and checking doors of local businesses before the introduction of community oriented policing concepts; and*

*WHEREAS, Sgt. Bateman is respected as an Officer of honesty, loyalty, and a person of impeccable integrity; and*

*WHEREAS, Sgt. Bateman was one of the pillars of the Sumner Police Department and who will be sorely missed; and*

*WHEREAS, In recognition of Sgt. Bateman's loyal service to the citizens of Sumner, the Sumner Police Department has retired Sgt. Bateman's badge from service; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Washington State Senate do hereby recognize and honor Mr. Keith Bateman for his distinguished service to the people of Sumner, Pierce County, and the larger state community, and wish him continued success in his retirement; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate immediately transmit a copy of this resolution to Mr. Keith Bateman.*