

**SENATE RESOLUTION**  
**2000-8752**

By Senators McAuliffe, Fraser and Rasmussen

WHEREAS, It is important to foster interest in government in young people who have so much to say and share with adults; and

WHEREAS, Encouraging young people to participate in the democratic process and make their opinions heard, helps to ensure that government pays greater attention to the critical issues that directly affect young people; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Count Council from the First Legislative District is one such youth involvement group whose participants include ten caring young adults interested in contributing to their communities and making a difference; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the Kenmore Boys & Girls Club, an agency dedicated to helping young people, worked with the Youth Count Council throughout the legislative session; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Count Council brought their valuable opinions and those of their peers to legislators this session on such issues as teen driving, school safety, bone marrow donation, and after-school programs; and

WHEREAS, legislators concerned with education can learn volumes from the very people who are in the school building each and every day; and

WHEREAS, the teenagers further can inspire and inform us as legislators by their calls for expanded school programs on cultural awareness and diversity; and

WHEREAS, because in their words, such programs would improve human relations, help students understand one another better, and open up the world--;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington State Senate do hereby recognize the contributions of the Youth Count Council and the many other young people in Washington who take an active role in working to make government better respond to the needs of all of its citizen -- no matter what their age; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted to the Kenmore Boys and Girls Club and the members of the First Legislative District Youth Count Council.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 2000-8752,  
adopted by the Senate March 7, 2000.

TONY M. COOK  
Secretary of the Senate