## SENATE RESOLUTION 2000-8779

By Senators Spanel, McCaslin, Heavey, Haugen, Oke, Rasmussen, Fraser and Long

WHEREAS, March 17 is St. Patrick's Day, a special day to all who are Irish, either in fact or in spirit; and

WHEREAS, St. Patrick's Day was a special day to Senator Patrick R. McMullen, for whom it was an occasion for family, friends and colleagues to celebrate their friendship and love for each other; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his distinguished career in public service to the people of the state of Washington, as an Assistant State Attorney General, Skagit County Prosecuting Attorney, State Representative, State Senator, and member of the Fish and Wildlife Commission, Pat was never too busy to celebrate St. Patrick's day; and

WHEREAS, Pat felt so strongly about the importance of St. Patrick's Day that he introduced resolutions seeking to make it a three day holiday, so the day could be properly celebrated by all of Washington's citizens; and

WHEREAS, Pat's enjoyment and delight in St. Patrick's Day was such that some friends and associates were led to believe that March 17 was his birthday; and

WHEREAS, Pat McMullen possessed a constant optimism, a heartwarming smile, a gentle good humor, a zest for life, and a twinkle in his eye, that were especially evident on March 17; and

WHEREAS, Pat's keen intelligence, generous spirit, patience, wisdom, and ability to build bridges across differences enriched the lives of all who traveled the road of life and politics with him; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate of the state of Washington take time on St. Patrick's Day to recognize and salute the immense contribution that Senator Pat McMullen made to his community, the Senate, and the state of Washington as a public servant and leader; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate, on behalf of countless members, staff, public employees, and others who had the good fortune to work and, on occasion, to play with him, recognize and express gratitude for Pat's contributions as a mentor, advisor, counselor; and friend; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate immediately transmit copies of this resolution to the family of Senator Pat McMullen, his wife Bobbi Krebs-McMullen, his children Scott, Todd and Laurie McMullen, and Traci Freidl.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 2000-8779, adopted by the Senate March 17, 2000.

TONY M. COOK Secretary of the Senate