

SENATE RESOLUTION  
8643

By Senators Prentice, Berkey, Rasmussen, Schmidt, McAuliffe, Spanel, Franklin, Haugen and Fraser

WHEREAS, Ms. Elizabeth Anne McLaughlin, lovingly referred to as "Miss Liz," touched the lives of so many citizens of the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Miss Liz lived in Everett for nearly 55 years and was truly dedicated to the service of her community; and

WHEREAS, Miss Liz was remarkable because she never "outgrew" her friends - at the end of her life, she was still involved with people she worked with early in her career; and

WHEREAS, Miss Liz was active in her Democratic Party and was respectful of and respected by her friends in the Republican Party and approachable by all people; and

WHEREAS, Miss Liz worked for the Everett Community College's Family Life Program for 19 years; and

WHEREAS, She served on the Snohomish County Council from 1986 until 1995, when she retired and was honored with a tribute written into the Congressional Record; and

WHEREAS, Miss Liz helped create the Public Housing Trust Fund, assisted in the formation of the Dispute Resolution Center in Everett, and raised funds for the Imagine Children's Museum; and

WHEREAS, She was able to cross partisan boundaries and worked to speak for those without a political voice; and

WHEREAS, A true humanitarian, she treated everyone equally regardless of political, social, or economic status; and

WHEREAS, She dedicated countless hours of service to council boards, community and social service organizations, and committees; and

WHEREAS, Her human services work, her commitment to children, the elderly, the developmentally disabled, and the homeless, and her devotion to her constituents will not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, She was a civic and political leader who lived a life that exemplified service to the community; and

WHEREAS, After a difficult 19-month battle with lymphoma, Miss Liz passed away on October 30, 2004, in Everett; she will long be remembered for her leadership, compassion, and dedication to improving the lives of others;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Washington State Senate hereby offer our deepest gratitude and honor the memory of Miss Liz, a shining example of democracy, and that we urge all citizens of the state of Washington to join us in recognizing this woman who was a model of service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the family of Elizabeth McLaughlin.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8643,  
adopted by the Senate  
March 15, 2005

THOMAS HOEMANN  
Secretary of the Senate