

SENATE RESOLUTION  
8689

By Senators Schmidt, Shin and Eide

WHEREAS, The State of Washington expresses its gratitude to the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces who faithfully served our country in times of war and peace; and

WHEREAS, These men and women left the comforts of home and hearth, putting themselves in harm's way to preserve our American way of life; and

WHEREAS, Countless Americans made the ultimate sacrifice or bear the physical or emotional scars of war inflicted while carrying out their mission; and

WHEREAS, Washington State is the home of 670,628 veterans who proudly dedicated themselves to preserving this country's freedom; and

WHEREAS, While these Washington State veterans no longer wear their country's uniform, many continue to advocate for veterans' rights and entitlements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize and honor the brave men and women who have served our country; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the State Veterans' Legislative Coalition.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8689,  
adopted by the Senate  
January 13, 2006

THOMAS HOEMANN  
Secretary of the Senate