

SENATE RESOLUTION
8718

By Senators Haugen and Spanel

WHEREAS, Puget Sound provides habitat for thousands of native species that the Beach Watchers work indefatigably to protect and study through education, citizen-science, and public awareness; and

WHEREAS, Each member of the Beach Watchers has given over 100 volunteer hours for scientific surveys, exploring the beaches, and talking with students and the public about our wonderful beaches; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Beach Watchers come from all across the Pacific Northwest including Clallam, Island, Jefferson, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom counties; and

WHEREAS, The members of Beach Watchers have done extensive work educating children and the general public during Sound Waters, and annual event for marine, nearshore, and environmental education with over 50 different presentations; and

WHEREAS, The members of Beach Watchers have educated over 24,500 people at workshops, presentations, fairs, festivals, aboard ferries, and at local beaches; and

WHEREAS, The members of Beach Watchers have contributed over 30,000 hours including over 700 days of on-the-ground research to educate our community about Pacific Northwest beaches; and

WHEREAS, The group has worked to monitor the biological health of Pacific Northwest beaches by collecting shoreline and coastal data, surveying shorelines, promoting beach etiquette, and assisting the National Marine Fisheries;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate recognize the Beach Watchers for their dedication and service to our community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the members of the Beach Watchers.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8718,
adopted by the Senate
February 5, 2008

THOMAS HOEMANN
Secretary of the Senate