SENATE RESOLUTION 8629

By Senators Nelson, Rolfes, Frockt, Harper, Darneille, Hargrove, Mullet, Keiser, Shin, McAuliffe, Murray, Hobbs, Conway, Ranker, Chase, Kline, Eide, Kohl-Welles, Cleveland, Schlicher, Fraser, Hasegawa, and Billig

WHEREAS, The Seattle Raging Grannies are deeply concerned about the world we are leaving for our grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, The Raging Grannies mission statement reads as follows: "In the tradition of wise women elders, the mission of the Seattle Raging Grannies is to promote global peace, justice, and social and economic equality by raising public awareness through the medium of song, humor, and education. Our goal is to challenge our audience to work to bring about the social changes that are required in order to end economic oppression of workers, particularly of women and children, and to end racial inequality, environmental destruction, human rights violations, arms proliferation, and war"; and

WHEREAS, The international Raging Grannies organization began in 1987, and the Seattle Raging Grannies have been raging through singing, protesting, and theater work since 1996; and

WHEREAS, In August 2013, Raging Grannies groups from 27 cities unanimously passed a Resolution regarding climate change because every single one of them feels that climate change is a grave and imminent threat which must be dealt with immediately; and

WHEREAS, The Raging Grannies have a long history of being a leader in green energy and addressing climate change; and

WHEREAS, The Washington State Senate agree with the Seattle Raging Grannies' pursuit to leave a better world to all our grandchildren;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor the Seattle Raging Grannies for their work to create a better world for future generations, and encourage support for pursuing policies that support a sustainable economy and a vibrant, democratic, and egalitarian society which places our natural world, on which we all depend, in a central place; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Washington State Senate and the Seattle Raging Grannies.

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8629, adopted by the Senate March 13, 2013

HUNTER G. GOODMAN Secretary of the Senate