
SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 8023

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By Senators Hobbs, Bailey, and King

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1 TO THE HONORABLE LYNN PETERSON, SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, AND
2 TO THE WASHINGTON STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, AND TO THE
3 WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

4 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of
5 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled,
6 respectfully represent and petition as follows:

7 WHEREAS, Former Washington state Senator Mary Margaret Haugen of
8 Island County rose from humble beginnings to a long and distinguished
9 career in public service, serving three terms as a member of the
10 Stanwood school board, ten years in the Washington State House of
11 Representatives from 1982 to 1992, and twenty years in the Washington
12 State Senate from 1993 to 2013; and

13 WHEREAS, During her thirty-year tenure as a legislator, she built
14 a reputation as one of the Steel Magnolias and for her considerable
15 skill at working across the aisle, fostering cooperation, and
16 championing progress over politics; and

17 WHEREAS, While in her capacity as chair of the Senate
18 Transportation Committee, steering billions of dollars across the
19 state to build roads, fix bridges, and operate ferries, she never
20 lost sight of the needs in her community; and

21 WHEREAS, She worked tirelessly to bring an Amtrak Cascades
22 passenger rail stop to Stanwood in Snohomish County; and

1 WHEREAS, The Amtrak Cascades rail service began making stops at
2 Stanwood station in 2009 and now makes four daily stops; and
3 WHEREAS, The six hundred-foot platform at Stanwood station is
4 fully accessible and includes covered ramps, railings, seating,
5 lighting, and landscaping to blend in with downtown Stanwood; and
6 WHEREAS, It is in the interest of the State of Washington to
7 recognize Mary Margaret Haugen's lifelong commitment to public
8 service generally, and to her community of Stanwood specifically;
9 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the
10 Washington State Transportation Commission commence proceedings to
11 name the Stanwood railway station, "Mary Margaret Haugen Station."
12 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
13 transmitted to the Honorable Lynn Peterson, Secretary of
14 Transportation, the Washington State Transportation Commission, and
15 the Washington State Department of Transportation.

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