

SENATE RESOLUTION

8734

By Senators Schoesler, Hewitt, Litzow, King, Becker, Honeyford, Bailey, Braun, Pearson, Dammeier, O'Ban, Rivers, Parlette, Angel, Brown, Padden, Warnick, Dansel, Ericksen, Miloscia, Hill, Hargrove, Hobbs, Chase, Sheldon, Benton, and Fraser

1 WHEREAS, Judy Rogers-LaVigne has been drawn to the world of
2 politics for much of her adult life, like a moth to a bug zapper; and

3 WHEREAS, Judy began her career with the Washington legislature as
4 a session aide in 1993; and

5 WHEREAS, Later that same year Judy served as the state
6 coordinator for Initiative 601, working closely with her friend and
7 mentor state Senator Linda Smith; and

8 WHEREAS, Judy served as a dedicated congressional staffer for
9 United States Representative Linda Smith from 1995 to 1997, providing
10 compassionate, patient, and dedicated service to the hundreds of
11 individuals and families who sought assistance from the 3rd district
12 congresswoman; and

13 WHEREAS, Judy returned to the Washington legislature in 1999 as a
14 legislative assistant for state Senator Joe Zarelli; and

15 WHEREAS, During that same year Judy met the love of her life,
16 George LaVigne, who swept her off her feet by providing a Y2K fix to
17 her home computer--when Judy saw her cat loved George, the rest was
18 history; and

19 WHEREAS, Judy's husband, George, is wondering what to do with the
20 hundreds of Beanie Babies Judy is now bringing home from her office;
21 and

1 WHEREAS, Judy became the executive assistant to the
2 Republican Caucus in 2007, where she has provided excellent
3 administrative assistance, motherly advice, and adult
4 supervision; and

5 WHEREAS, Judy took to heart the insightful advice of her
6 predecessor, Bonnie Boushele, that "a well-fed senator is a
7 happy senator"; and

8 WHEREAS, This advice led to visits to the Majority Coalition
9 Caucus room by not only Majority Coalition members, but also
10 other visitors like Senator Hargrove; and

11 WHEREAS, Judy's sons, Shay, Chris, and Andy, are indeed the
12 pride of her life, but they now have serious competition with
13 the arrival two years ago of granddaughter Macy, and the pending
14 arrival of a second granddaughter, to be named later; and

15 WHEREAS, Judy is also responsible for a constituent, Miss
16 Heidi, who brings great joy to all she meets and who is a
17 particular favorite of Senator Fain's and Senator Hewitt's
18 offices; and

19 WHEREAS, Judy will be sorely missed by all who know her and
20 have had the privilege to work with her during her more than two
21 decades of service at the Washington legislature;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State
23 Senate officially honor and thank Judy Rogers-LaVigne for her
24 many years of dedication and hard work on behalf of the people
25 of the state of Washington; and

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
27 immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Judy
28 Rogers-LaVigne and her family.

29 I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate,
30 do hereby certify that this is a true and
31 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8734,
32 adopted by the Senate
33 March 9, 2016

34 HUNTER G. GOODMAN
35 Secretary of the Senate