

SENATE RESOLUTION

8628

By Senators Saldaña, Walsh, Chase, Cleveland, Lias, Rolfes, Billig, Conway, Hasegawa, Hobbs, Darneille, Wilson, Warnick, Brown, Angel, Bailey, Pedersen, Miloscia, Fain, McCoy, Keiser, Wellman, Schoesler, Padden, Ericksen, Zeiger, King, Hawkins, Becker, Pearson, Hunt, Fortunato, Palumbo, Kuderer, Ranker, Carlyle, Nelson, Rossi, Takko, Rivers, and Frockt

1 WHEREAS, March 8th is International Women's Day; and

2 WHEREAS, Washington women, of every race, income level, and
3 ethnic background, have made historic contributions to the growth and
4 strength of our state and nation; and

5 WHEREAS, Women as employers and employees are essential to all
6 aspects of our economy, including education, manufacturing,
7 agriculture, sports, hospitality, the military, technology, health
8 care, philanthropy, arts and culture, and public service; and

9 WHEREAS, Women are essential in leadership roles that are often
10 historically underestimated and undervalued, including being mothers;
11 heads of households; and caretakers of our state's children, elders,
12 and most vulnerable; and

13 WHEREAS, Despite their great contributions, women in our society
14 continue to be disadvantaged in a number of areas, including access
15 to health and maternity care, wage equity and lifetime earnings, and
16 women of color and rural women are often at the greatest disadvantage
17 in those areas; and

18 WHEREAS, In the face of these disadvantages, women have risen up
19 to become leaders as business owners, CEOs, elected officials, and
20 advocates, and women continue to be indispensable to our families and
21 our communities;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate
23 recognize the contributions of women to our society, economy, and

1 community; and honor all women throughout our state, nation, and
2 world during the celebration of International Women's Day.

3 I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate,
4 do hereby certify that this is a true and
5 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8628,
6 adopted by the Senate
7 March 8, 2017

8 HUNTER G. GOODMAN
9 Secretary of the Senate