SENATE RESOLUTION

8658

By Senators Rolfes, Becker, Billig, Braun, Brown, Carlyle, Cleveland, Conway, Darneille, Das, Dhingra, Ericksen, Fortunato, Frockt, Hasegawa, Hawkins, Hobbs, Holy, Honeyford, Hunt, Keiser, King, Kuderer, Liias, Lovelett, McCoy, Mullet, Muzzall, Nguyen, O'Ban, Padden, Pedersen, Randall, Rivers, Saldaña, Salomon, Schoesler, Sheldon, Short, Stanford, Takko, Van De Wege, Wagoner, Walsh, Warnick, Wellman, Wilson, C., Wilson, L., and Zeiger

WHEREAS, Military spouses and caregivers embody the courage, sense of duty, and love of country that inspire every American; and

WHEREAS, Military spouses make tremendous sacrifices, including enduring long separations, assuming household responsibilities, and caring for children while their loved ones are away; and

WHEREAS, Military spouses and caregivers act with patience, selflessness, and compassion while serving as the frontline of this country's conscience to ensure the appropriate care of soldiers returning from duty; and

WHEREAS, Many military spouses and primary caregivers of veterans care for those with serious conditions, including traumatic brain injuries and posttraumatic stress disorder; and

WHEREAS, Many military spouses and caregivers are also volunteers in their communities who serve the needs of other military families; and

WHEREAS, Our communities are stronger when military spouses and families are afforded adequate employment, child care, and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, The nation benefits from the sacrifices of military families and is inspired by their courage, strength, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the year, we honor the commitment military spouses and caregivers have made to their loved ones, our country, and our freedom;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington state Senate recognize military spouses and caregivers for their service, sacrifice, and dedication to their families and their country.

I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate,

do hereby certify that this is a true and

correct copy of Senate Resolution 8658,

adopted by the Senate

January 15, 2020

BRAD HENDRICKSON

Secretary of the Senate