

SENATE RESOLUTION

8609

By Senators Gildon, Conway, Nobles, and Pedersen

1 WHEREAS, For 90 years the annual Daffodil Festival has been a
2 cherished tradition for the people of Pierce County; and

3 WHEREAS, The Daffodil Festival has been an anticipated event that
4 continues to bring communities together to celebrate unity within our
5 diverse community; and

6 WHEREAS, Since its inception in the 1920s as a modest garden
7 party, it has grown into the festival that we all know and love today
8 and this year celebrates its 90th anniversary; and

9 WHEREAS, Each year, 24 young women pass through a rigorous
10 selection process to represent their schools as well as Pierce County
11 communities through ambassadorship, community service, and civic
12 pride; and

13 WHEREAS, Members of the Daffodil Festival royal court serve as
14 role models for youth around our region. Their volunteerism, civic
15 responsibility, and willingness to be ambassadors for Pierce County
16 serve as a light for youth to look up to; and

17 WHEREAS, This year's Daffodil Festival royal court includes:
18 Alena Haynes, Puyallup High School; Vivian Llorens Hernandez, Lakes
19 High School; Kiana Kniest, Bonney Lake High School; Kiara Ramos-
20 Carrillo, Sumner High School; Anna Kuepker, Orting High School;
21 Aurora Sieverson, Curtis High School; Audrey Spencer, White River
22 High School; Mariya Startseva, Foss IB High School; Oluebube Ndugba,
23 Fife High School; Emma Holmes, Stadium High School; Kyona Fox-Flores,

1 Silas High School; Hope Isom, Rogers High School; Kaitlyn
2 Cotton, Emerald Ridge High School; Katelyn Schwanz, Franklin
3 Pierce High School; Melony Bridgeman, Bethel High School; Hannah
4 Kralik, Eatonville High School; Kaitlyn Nguyen, Lincoln High
5 School; Adrianna Bhan, Clover Park High School; Carissa Milton,
6 Graham Kapowsin High School; Sarah-Angeles Edmonson, Spanaway
7 Lake High School; Marissa Romero, Washington High School;
8 Breannah Bartlett, Mount Tahoma High School; Kayliana Young,
9 Chief Leschi High School; and Melody Molina-Vazquez, Harrison
10 Preparatory;

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State
12 Senate recognize and honor the many contributions made to our
13 state by the Daffodil Festival, its organizers, and its royal
14 court for the past 90 years; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
16 immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the
17 2023 Daffodil Festival officers and to the 24 members of the
18 2023 Daffodil Festival royalty.

19 I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate,
20 do hereby certify that this is a true and
21 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8609,
22 adopted by the Senate
23 March 14, 2023

24 SARAH BANNISTER
25 Secretary of the Senate