

SENATE RESOLUTION

8659

By Senator Lovick

1 WHEREAS, Snohomish County Sheriff Sergeant David Sorenson has
2 provided 43 years of dedicated service to Snohomish County as a
3 Reserve Officer for the Mountlake Terrace Police Department and as a
4 Deputy for the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office; and

5 WHEREAS, Sergeant Sorenson founded the nonprofit Keep N Safe to
6 help first responders and their family members cope with
7 posttraumatic stress disorder and to reduce gun violence; and

8 WHEREAS, First responders, including police, firefighters,
9 paramedics, emergency medical technicians, dispatchers, and
10 corrections officers, frequently suffer from posttraumatic stress
11 disorder and other mental health conditions because of their repeated
12 exposures to tragedies in our communities; and

13 WHEREAS, Sergeant Sorenson had the kindness and bravery to
14 recognize the importance of first responders' mental health and to
15 create resources to help; and

16 WHEREAS, The resources provided by Sergeant Sorenson and Keep N
17 Safe help first responders cope with the grievous difficulties of
18 their work and can prevent career-ending mental health struggles or
19 suicide;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize and
21 salute Sergeant Sorenson for both his career in Snohomish County law
22 enforcement and his work in protecting first responders' mental
23 health; and

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
2 immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to
3 Sergeant Sorenson.

4 I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate,
5 do hereby certify that this is a true and
6 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8659,
7 adopted by the Senate
8 January 23, 2024

9 SARAH BANNISTER
10 Secretary of the Senate