SENATE RESOLUTION 8667

By Senators Muzzall, Wagoner, Braun, Hunt, Kuderer, Zeiger, Walsh, Wilson, L., Becker, Short, Carlyle, Sheldon, and Rivers

- 1 WHEREAS, The citizens of Washington State have set aside this day 2 to honor, appreciate, and remember our Navy personnel; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The Washington State Senate has always acted to honor 4 those who have served and are serving our country as members of the 5 United States military; and

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- WHEREAS, The Navy is the military service that secures sea lanes, allowing free flow of commerce to and from our state, and the service whose power projection promotes stability for our friends and deters aggression from our foes; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Washington State is uniquely positioned, politically, 11 economically, and geographically, to deal with the opportunities and 12 challenges presented by Asia and the Pacific Rim countries; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Washington State Navy bases support two aircraft 14 carriers, more than five surface ships, thirteen submarines, and one 15 hundred sixty aircraft; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Washington State Navy installations provide 78,549 17 careers and infuses 10.7 billion dollars each year to Washington 18 State's economic stability; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Washington State Navy installations are recognized for 20 environmental stewardship successes and continue to actively assist 21 in partnership efforts statewide; and
- 22 WHEREAS, The Navy has worked to improve salmon recovery, support 23 southern resident orca recovery, increase orca food supply, conserve

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energy and water, conduct and invest hundreds of millions of dollars in marine species research, restore and protect critical habitats from development, mitigate ocean acidification, and invest in renewable energy; and WHEREAS, Washington State naval bases consistently receive awards

WHEREAS, Washington State naval bases consistently receive awards for the quality of life they provide to service members and family members; and

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WHEREAS, Washington State-based Navy personnel and assets regularly deploy around the world to deter aggression, relieve the distressed, and aid America's friends and allies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate celebrate the Navy and bring warm greetings and many thanks to each and every person related to the Navy's work and mission in our state.

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