The Senate was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Owen. The Secretary called the roll and announced to the President that all Senators were present with the exception of Senators Benton, Brown, Fairley, Hewitt, Kauffman, McAuliffe and Rockefeller.

The Sergeant at Arms Color Guard consisting of Pages Jake Magill and David Singleton, presented the Colors. Rabbi Zalman Heber, Director of the Chabad Jewish Center Church offered the prayer.

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Kilmer: “Thank you Mr. President. As we heard in the prayer today and as we read in the papers since Tuesday after the tragedy that struck Haiti earlier this week with a 7.0 earthquake. Unfortunately we got horrible news this morning that one of my constituents, twenty-two year old Molly Hightower of Port Orchard had died in that tragic event. Molly was one of our state’s finest. Since June she’d been working in this impoverished country as a volunteer at an orphanage and a hospital sacrificing herself to make other people’s lives better. Mr. President, I would ask that the Senate observe a moment of silence in her honor and to stand with her family and all the families who are suffering this terrible tragedy.”

MOMENT OF SILENCE

The Senate observed a moment of silence in memory of Ms. Molly Hightower, who passed away January 12, 2010.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed with and it was approved.

MOTION

There being no objection, the Senate advanced to the first order of business.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

January 14, 2010

SB 6194 Prime Sponsor, Senator Keiser: Simplifying medicaid payment for nursing facilities. Reported by Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

MAJORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Keiser, Chair; Franklin, Vice Chair; Becker; Marr; Murray and Parlette.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senator Pflug.

Passed to Committee on Ways & Means.

January 13, 2010

SB 6219 Prime Sponsor, Senator Berkey: Funding sources for time certificate of deposit investments. Reported by Committee on Financial Institutions, Housing & Insurance

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Berkey, Chair; Hobbs, Vice Chair; Franklin; McDermott; Parlette and Schoesler.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 14, 2010

SB 6234 Prime Sponsor, Senator Swecker: Regarding the sea urchin and sea cucumber license limitation programs. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Ranker, Vice Chair; Fraser; Hargrove; Hatfield and Swecker.

MINORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Morton and Stevens.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 14, 2010

SB 6275 Prime Sponsor, Senator Jacobsen: Regarding harbor lines. Reported by Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

MAJORITY recommendation: Do pass. Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Ranker, Vice Chair; Morton; Fraser; Hargrove; Hatfield; Stevens and Swecker.

Passed to Committee on Rules for second reading.

January 14, 2010

SB 6286 Prime Sponsor, Senator Kline: Concerning the liability and powers of cities and flood control zone districts. Reported by Committee on Government Operations & Elections

MAJORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Roach; McDermott; Pridemore and Swecker.

Passed to Committee on Judiciary.

January 14, 2010

SB 6363 Prime Sponsor, Senator Marr: Concerning the enforcement of certain school or playground crosswalk violations. Reported by Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education

MAJORITY recommendation: That it be referred without recommendation. Signed by Senators McAuliffe, Chair; Kauffman, Vice Chair, Early Learning; Oemig, Vice Chair, K-12; King; Brandland; Gordon; Hobbs and McDermott.

Passed to Committee on Transportation.

MOTION
On motion of Senator Eide, all measures listed on the Standing Committee report were referred to the committees as designated.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the Senate advanced to the third order of business.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR
GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENTS

January 11, 2010
TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the following appointment, subject to your confirmation.

RYLAND P. DAVIS, appointed October 27, 2009, for the term ending October 1, 2013, as Member of the Life Sciences Discovery Fund Authority Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,
CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE, Governor

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

January 14, 2010
TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit the following reappointment, subject to your confirmation.

SHEILA L. FOX, reappointed January 13, 2010, for the term ending January 12, 2014, as Member of the State Board of Education.

Sincerely,
CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE, Governor

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, all appointees listed on the Gubernatorial Appointments report were referred to the committees as designated.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, the Senate advanced to the fifth order of business.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

SB 6478 by Senators Regala, Kline and Delvin

AN ACT Relating to planning for the discontinuation of discharge of vulnerable populations from state institutions into homelessness; amending RCW 72.09.270, 43.63A.305, 13.40.210, 71.05.350, and 71.24.045; adding a new section to chapter 72.09 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.20A RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6479 by Senators Morton, Swecker, Holmquist, Hewitt, Schoesler and Delvin

AN ACT Relating to standing when filing a petition with a growth management hearings board; and amending RCW 36.70A.280.

SB 6480 by Senators Morton, Schoesler, Holmquist, Hewitt, Parlette, Stevens, Delvin, King, Becker and Swecker

AN ACT Relating to impact payments of a municipally owned 2 hydroelectric facility; amending RCW 35.21.420 and 35.21.425; and 3 declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6481 by Senators Morton, Schoesler, Holmquist, Hewitt, King, Delvin and Swecker

AN ACT Relating to clarifying which local governments have jurisdiction over conversion-related forest practices; and reenacting and amending RCW 76.09.240.

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 6482 by Senator Hargrove

AN ACT Relating to fire protection firms; adding a new chapter to Title 19 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6483 by Senators Hargrove and Hatfield

AN ACT Relating to promoting natural wildlife management planning; adding a new section to chapter 77.12 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 6484 by Senators Hewitt, Carrell, Schoesler, Sheldon, Holmquist, Morton, Stevens, King, Pflug, Becker, Swecker, Honeyford, Brandland, Delvin and Roach

AN ACT Relating to civil judgments for assault; amending RCW 72.09.015, 72.09.111, and 72.09.480; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6485 by Senators Marr, King, Kohl-Welles, Hewitt, Hatfield, Delvin, Hobbs and Rockefeller

AN ACT Relating to craft distilleries; and amending RCW 66.24.140, 66.24.145, 66.28.310, and 66.24.520.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6486 by Senators Murray, Becker and Shin

AN ACT Relating to vaccination of health care workers; and adding a new section to chapter 70.41 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.
SB 6487 by Senators Franklin, Pridemore, Keiser, Carrell, Pflug, Schoesler, Delvin and Kline

AN ACT Relating to repealing the expiration of the fair payment for chiropractic services requirement; and repealing 2008 c 304 s 4 (uncodified).

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6488 by Senators Oemig, Gordon, McAuliffe, Tom, Rockefeller, Kline and Ranker

AN ACT Relating to school levies; amending RCW 84.52.053, 84.52.0531, and 28A.500.020; reenacting and amending RCW 28A.500.030; amending 2006 c 119 s 3 (uncodified); amending 2009 c 4 s 909 (uncodified); and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6489 by Senators Oemig, Hobbs, Rockefeller, Fairley, Fraser, Brown, Shin and Kline


Referred to Committee on Environment, Water & Energy.

SB 6490 by Senators Kline, Regala and Hargrove

AN ACT Relating to driver's and vehicle licenses; amending RCW 46.20.270, 46.20.291, 46.20.311, 46.20.342, 46.20.391, 46.63.110, and 46.16.216; creating a new section; repealing RCW 46.20.289; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 6491 by Senators Oemig, McAuliffe, Kauffman and Shin

AN ACT Relating to transferring the state school for the blind, the Washington state center for childhood deafness and hearing loss, and the associated boards of trustees to the office of the superintendent of public instruction; amending RCW 72.40.010, 72.40.015, 72.40.020, 72.40.022, 72.40.024, 72.40.028, 72.40.031, 72.40.040, 72.40.050, 72.40.070, 72.40.210, 72.40.220, 72.40.250, 72.40.280, 72.41.010, 72.41.020, 72.41.040, 72.42.010, 72.42.021, and 72.42.041; adding new sections to chapter 28A.155 RCW; creating new sections; recodifying RCW 72.40.010, 72.40.015, 72.40.019, 72.40.0191, 72.40.020, 72.40.022, 72.40.024, 72.40.028, 72.40.031, 72.40.040, 72.40.050, 72.40.060, 72.40.070, 72.40.080, 72.40.090, 72.40.100, 72.40.110, 72.40.200, 72.40.210, 72.40.220, 72.40.230, 72.40.240, 72.40.250, 72.40.260, 72.40.270, 72.40.280, 72.41.010, 72.41.020, 72.41.025, 72.41.030, 72.41.040, 72.41.060, 72.41.070, 72.42.010, 72.42.021, 72.42.031, 72.42.041, 72.42.060, and 72.42.070; repealing RCW 72.40.120, 72.41.015, 72.42.015, and 72.42.016; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.
AN ACT Relating to the administration, collection, use, and enforcement of tolls; amending RCW 47.56.010, 47.46.020, 47.46.105, 46.63.030, 46.63.160, 46.63.075, 10.93.020, and 47.56.167; adding new sections to chapter 47.56 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 47.46 RCW; repealing RCW 46.61.690; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6500 by Senators Fraser, Stevens, Regala, Parlette, Franklin, Pflug, McDermott, Kohl-Welles, Kauffman, Hargrove, Shin, Keiser and Kline

AN ACT Relating to the use of restraints on pregnant women or youth; amending RCW 72.09.015, 72.05.020, and 13.40.020; reenacting and amending RCW 70.48.020; adding new sections to chapter 72.09 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 70.48 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 72.05 RCW; and adding new sections to chapter 13.40 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6501 by Senator Pridemore

AN ACT Relating to authorizing payment of regulated company stock in lieu of a portion of salary for educational employees; and amending RCW 28A.400.250.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6502 by Senators Tom, McAuliffe, Oemig, Hobbs, Gordon, Pridemore, Shin, Rockefeller, Kline and Ranker

AN ACT Relating to restoring the school district levy base; amending RCW 84.52.0531; amending 2006 c 119 s 3 (uncodified); amending 2009 c 4 s 909 (uncodified); creating a new section; and providing an expiration date.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6503 by Senator Prentice

AN ACT Relating to the operations of state agencies; amending RCW 42.04.060; adding a new section to chapter 41.80 RCW; creating new sections; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6504 by Senator Hargrove

AN ACT Relating to reducing crime victims' compensation benefits and eligibility; amending RCW 7.68.060 and 7.68.070; repealing RCW 7.68.085; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Human Services & Corrections.

SB 6505 by Senator Kastama

AN ACT Relating to the authorization, administration, and collection of tolls on the state route number 99 Alaskan Way viaduct corridor; adding a new section to chapter 47.56 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6506 by Senator Kastama

AN ACT Relating to the authorization, administration, and collection of tolls on the Interstate 90 floating bridge corridor; amending RCW 47.56.875; adding a new section to chapter 47.56 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6507 by Senators Hobbs, Holmquist, Pridemore, Hatfield, Haugen, Kilmer, Eide, Keiser, McAuliffe, Prentice, Kauffman, Berkey, Shin and Rockefeller

AN ACT Relating to transferring the Washington main street program to the department of archaeology and historic preservation; amending RCW 35.100.020, 43.360.010, and 82.73.050; reenacting and amending RCW 82.73.010; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6508 by Senators Fairley, Prentice, Pridemore, Kline, Rockefeller, Ranker, Tom, McDermott, Gordon and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to changing the class of persons entitled to 2 recoveries under a wrongful death action or survival action; amending 3 RCW 4.20.020, 4.20.046, 4.20.060, and 4.24.010; creating new sections; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 6509 by Senator Shin

AN ACT Relating to modifying the budget recommendations developed by the higher education coordinating board to include recommendations on tuition and fees; and amending RCW 28B.76.210.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development.

SB 6510 by Senators Kilmer and Sheldon

AN ACT Relating to the extension of state route number 166; amending RCW 47.17.328; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

SB 6511 by Senators Hobbs, King, Marr, Shin, Rockefeller and Kline

AN ACT Relating to gang and hate group activity on school grounds and at school activities; amending RCW 28A.225.225 and 28A.600.455; and adding a new section to chapter 28A.635 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6512 by Senators Gordon, Hobbs, King, Marr, Rockefeller and Kline
AN ACT Relating to school safety zones; amending RCW 28A.635.030 and 9A.84.030; adding a new section to chapter 28A.635 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6513 by Senators Delvin, Carrell, Brandland, Marr and Roach

AN ACT Relating to intimidating a peace officer; reenacting and amending RCW 9.94A.515; adding a new section to chapter 9A.76 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 6514 by Senators Prentice, McCaslin, Regala and Swecker

AN ACT Relating to increasing costs for administering a deferred prosecution; and amending RCW 10.01.160.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 6515 by Senators Kastama, Kilmer and Shin

AN ACT Relating to refocusing the mission of the department of commerce, including transferring programs; amending RCW 70.05.125, 43.270.020, 43.270.070, 43.270.080, 43.330.210, 43.330.240, 82.14.400, 43.63A.305, 43.63A.307, 43.63A.311, 43.63A.313, 9.94A.8673, 43.63A.720, 43.63A.735, 43.280.011, 43.280.020, 43.280.060, 43.280.070, 43.280.080, 43.280.090, 74.14B.060, 80.50.030, 43.190.030, 43.190.120, 19.27.070, 19.27.150, 19.27A.020, 19.27A.140, 19.27A.150, 19.27A.180, 43.21F.010, 43.21F.090, 36.27.100, 43.110.030, 43.110.060, 43.110.080, 43.15.020, 35.21.185, 35.102.040, and 36.70B.220; reenacting and amending RCW 70.125.030; adding new sections to chapter 43.70 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 43.20A RCW; adding new sections to chapter 43.21F RCW; creating new sections; recodifying RCW 43.330.195, 43.330.200, 43.330.205, 43.330.210, 43.330.220, 43.330.225, 43.330.230, 43.330.240, 43.63A.305, 43.63A.307, 43.63A.309, 43.63A.311, 43.63A.313, 43.63A.315, 43.63A.720, 43.63A.725, 43.63A.730, 43.63A.735, and 43.63A.740; decodifying RCW 43.280.081 and 43.63A.150; repealing RCW 43.21F.015, 43.21F.055, 43.110.010, 43.110.040, and 43.110.070; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

SB 6516 by Senator Hobbs

AN ACT Relating to plan membership default provisions in the public employees' retirement system, the teachers' retirement system, and the school employees' retirement system; and amending RCW 41.32.835, 41.35.610, and 41.40.785.

Referred to Committee on Ways & Means.

SB 6517 by Senators McAuliffe, King and Kline
SB 6523  by Senators Pflug, Becker, Parlette, Stevens, Swecker, Schoesler and Hewitt

AN ACT Relating to the apple health community care demonstration waiver; amending RCW 74.09.5222; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6524  by Senators King, Kohl-Welles, Kastama, Holmquist, Keiser, Honeyford, Regala, Franklin, McDermott, Hewitt and Kline

AN ACT Relating to unemployment insurance penalties and contribution rates for employers who are not “qualified employers”; reenacting and amending RCW 50.29.025; adding a new section to chapter 50.12 RCW; creating a new section; prescribing penalties; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6525  by Senators Kohl-Welles, Kastama, Honeyford, Keiser, Hewitt, Kline, Regala, Franklin and McDermott

AN ACT Relating to correcting references in RCW 50.29.021(2)(c)(i), (c)(ii), and (3)(e), RCW 50.29.062(2)(b)(ii)(B) and (2)(b)(iii), and RCW 50.29.063(1)(b) and (2)(a)(ii) to unemployment insurance statutes concerning employer experience rating accounts and contribution rates; amending RCW 50.29.062 and 50.29.063; reenacting and amending RCW 50.29.021; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6526  by Senators Kohl-Welles, Franklin, Regala, Keiser, McDermott and Kline

AN ACT Relating to allowing certain individuals to seek part-time employment while maintaining eligibility for unemployment insurance in order to qualify for the unemployment insurance modernization incentive provisions of the American recovery and reinvestment act of 2009; amending RCW 50.04.310, 50.20.119, and 50.20.100; creating a new section; and providing an effective date.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6527  by Senator Roach

AN ACT Relating to notifying the secretary of state when a person summoned for jury service does not meet the qualifications of a juror; and amending RCW 2.36.072.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6528  by Senator Roach

AN ACT Relating to the Washington soldiers’ home; adding new sections to chapter 72.36 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6529  by Senator Roach

AN ACT Relating to increasing access to public records; amending RCW 42.56.530; reenacting and amending RCW 42.56.550; and adding a new section to chapter 42.56 RCW; and creating new sections.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6530  by Senator Roach

AN ACT Relating to increasing access to public records; amending RCW 42.56.530; reenacting and amending RCW 42.56.550; and adding a new section to chapter 42.56 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

SB 6531  by Senator Roach

AN ACT Relating to kidnapping of a child; amending RCW 9A.40.030; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

SB 6532  by Senators Pflug and Keiser

AN ACT Relating to holding consumers harmless for balance bills generated when emergency services are rendered by nonparticipating providers in participating hospitals; amending RCW 48.43.093; reenacting and amending RCW 48.43.005; adding a new section to chapter 41.05 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 74.09 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6533  by Senators Roach and Gordon

AN ACT Relating to granting high school credit for learning experiences; reenacting and amending RCW 28A.230.090; adding a new section to chapter 28A.320 RCW; and creating a new section.

Referred to Committee on Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 6534  by Senators Holmquist, King, Stevens, Swecker, Delvin, Hewitt and Schoesler

AN ACT Relating to the minimum hourly wage; and amending RCW 49.46.020.

Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce & Consumer Protection.

SB 6535  by Senators Holmquist, Carrell, Roach, Stevens, Swecker, Hewitt and Schoesler
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AN ACT Relating to adopting the Washington state health care freedom act of 2010; and adding new sections to chapter 48.44 RCW.

Referred to Committee on Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 6536 by Senators Holmquist, Hatfield, Morton, Honeyford, King, Pflug, Stevens, Swecker and Delvin

AN ACT Relating to limitations on withdrawing various waters from additional appropriations; and amending RCW 90.54.050.

Referred to Committee on Environment, Water & Energy.

SB 6537 by Senators Holmquist, Pflug, Stevens and Becker

AN ACT Relating to eligibility criteria for community economic revitalization board financial assistance; and amending RCW 43.160.060.

Referred to Committee on Economic Development, Trade & Innovation.

MOTION

On motion of Senator Eide, all measures listed on the Introduction and First Reading report were referred to the committees as designated with the exception of Senate Bill No. 6480 and Senate Bill No. 6508 which were referred to the Committee on Government Operations & Elections.

MOTION:

On motion of Senator Eide, the Senate advanced to the eighth order of business.

MOTION

Senator Prentice moved adoption of the following resolution:

SENATE RESOLUTION

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By Senators Prentice, Zarelli, Fairley, Holmquist, Kline, Kauffman, Regala, Keiser, Hargrove, Rockefeller, Delvin, Oemig, Parlette, Shin, Brandland, Sheldon, Tom, Hobbs, Franklin, Becker, Kastama, Hatfield, Eide, Marr, Kohl-Welles, McDermott, McAuliffe, Honeyford, Jacobsen, Ranker, Murray, Hewitt, Pridemore, Berkey, and Swecker

WHEREAS, Seattle Sounders FC has completed its historic inaugural season by setting an unprecedented new MLS record for average per game attendance at 30,943, and selling the most season tickets in the league; and

WHEREAS, Sounders FC has reached the top 50 in average attendance for all soccer clubs throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the team’s majority owner Joe Roth, its minority owners, Adrian Hanauer, Paul Allen, and Drew Carey, together with Gary Wright, senior vice president of business operations, and his administrative staff have assembled a talented coaching staff led by two-time MLS Cup winner and all-time winningest coach Sigi Schmid, and assistants Brian Schmetzer, Tom Dutra, Ezra Hendrickson, Kurt Schmid, David Tenney, and technical director Chris Henderson; and

WHEREAS, Washington’s very own Kasey Keller is the team captain, and team members include: Freddie Ljungberg, Chris Eylander, Brad Evans, Patrick Ianni, Tyson Wahl, Osvaldo Alonso, James Riley, Peter Vagenas, Steve Zakuani, Nathan Sturgis, Tyrone Marshall, Stephen King, Leonardo González, Zach Scott, Sanna Nyassi, Roger Levesque, Taylor Graham, Terry Boss, Jhon Kennedy Hurtado, and leading goal scorer Fredy Montero; and

WHEREAS, Sounders FC brought pride to Washington state by finishing the 2009 season with a winning record, becoming the first team since 1998 to qualify for the MLS playoffs in its first season, and being only the second expansion team in MLS history to win the U.S. Open Cup tournament in its first season, qualifying for the 2010-11 CONCACAF Champions League; and

WHEREAS, Kasey Keller, Freddie Ljungberg, Jhon Kennedy Hurtado, and Fredy Montero represented Sounders FC on the MLS All-Star team; and

WHEREAS, Kasey Keller was named the U.S. Open Cup MVP, Fredy Montero was named MLS Newcomer of the Year, and Sounders FC won eight individual and club MLS executive awards; and

WHEREAS, The team has become a pillar of the community by setting an MLS record in raising more than 23,000 dollars for the “Nothing But Nets” program, while players, coaches, and owners made more than 80 community appearances during the season and have contributed funds to youth-oriented community projects and activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington state Senate honor Seattle Sounders FC for its triumphant and record-breaking season and for bringing exciting, world class professional soccer to all Washington state citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Sounders FC ownership, coaches, and players.

Senators Prentice and Regala spoke in favor of adoption of the resolution.

The President declared the question before the Senate to be the adoption of Senate Resolution No. 8667.

The motion by Senator Prentice carried and the resolution was adopted by voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President welcomed and introduced representatives of the Seattle Sounders Football Club who were seated in the gallery.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

The President welcomed and introduced representatives of the Seattle Sounders Football Club Adrian Hanauer, General Manager and Kasey Keller, Sounders FC Goalkeeper, who were seated at the rostrum.

With permission of the Senate, business was suspended to allow Seattle Sounders General Manager Adrian Hanauer, and Kasey Keller, Sounders FC Goalkeeper to address the Senate.

REMARKS BY MR. ADRIAN HANAUER

Adrian Hanauer: “Thank you very much. On behalf of the owners, the managers, the coaches, the players, everyone that works for Seattle Sounders FC, we would just like to thank you
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for bestowing this honor on us. We’re very proud of what we’ve accomplished in the city and in the State of Washington and in conversations here today I think the thing I’m most proud of is, you know, there were a lot of awards and a lot of attendance records and personal accomplishments but I think for us the biggest, the most important part as a local Washingtonian, born and raised, Kasey Keller as well, it’s our impact in the community and in the state. With all of the young people, with being able to do those appearances go out and really make an impact on lives, whether their kids, young teens, even adults so that’s what’s really important to us as owners, managers and certainly winning soccer games is important but the bigger picture is what’s most important to us. So, again, thank you for the honor, we’re privileged to be here, very happy to be here and have a good day legislating.”

REMARKS BY KASEY KELLER

Kasey Keller: “Thank you. I just like to reiterate what Adrian said and for myself having grown up not only in this state but actually I think a rocks throw away from this building that to be able to spend the majority of my career in Europe and to be able to truly be able to come home and to be a part of something so special not only for myself to be able to finish my career in Seattle, in Washington State, but to see what that impact on the whole community is a huge honor for myself to be a part of that. Just thank you for I guess being able to recognize that, that a lot of hard work is been put forth, people like Adrian, people like Joe Roth, the gentleman you see up there to give myself the opportunity to come home and to be a part of something so special. So, thank you.”

PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Senator Prentice: “Thank you very much, thank you Senator Fraser and thanks also to my colleagues. I can’t tell you how much I appreciated that event but you know you have to stay humble. What I do remember is when we moved from the old hospital which was a ninety-six bed hospital built during World War II and the plumbing was made out of pot metal and when we turned on the water the air you know would bang, bang, bang so we really did desperately need a new hospital. I remember also, and those of you who go by it as you’re going up highway 167 see how it’s built up around there and you know IKEA and other big area as well. The maintenance guy told me when he’d been there before we moved in he used to shoot skunks from the roof so there was nothing there and that’s the kind of thing that builds up but I am very proud of that hospital and still have close ties. It’s true, I worked many nights and I worked in every department, delivered babies and you know took care of your injuries so I was very, very grateful to be part of it. Thank you all so for this recognition.”

MOTION

At 10:28 a.m., on motion of Senator Eide, the Senate adjourned until 12:00 noon, Monday, January 18, 2010.

BRAD OWEN, President of the Senate

THOMAS HOEMANN, Secretary of the Senate
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