



Frances North

Quick Facts

Birth: March 26, 1919
Washington

Death: March 3, 2003
North Bend, Washington

Occupation: Teacher/Realtor

Party Affiliation: Democrat

Years served: 1973-83

Office: Representative
North Bend City Council 8 years

District: 47 (King County)

Personal:

- Worked as an activities director at Mount Si High School, a school district secretary, and a secretary at Boeing.
- Enjoyed travel, animals, gardening and golf.
- Married to Jim North who played tackle for the Washington Redskins and coached at Mount Si High School for almost 30 years.

Education:

- Seattle University

Community Service:

- Si View Park Board
- Nelems Hospital Auxiliary
- Babe Zaharias Cancer Chapter
- Sno Valley Development Center Board, director
- Greenway Trust, founding board member
- Snohomish Basin Coordinating Committee

Affiliations:

- National Bank of Tukwila, board of directors
- National Secretaries Association
- Business and Professional Women
- Citizens for Transit
- Washington Parks Foundation, board member
- Municipal Research Council
- Council of State Governments

- Washington State Grange

Awards:

- Community Service Award, Snoqualmie Valley Boys & Girls Club, 1995

Legislative & State Service:

- Worked on legislation for her district to make Mt. Si a public recreation area and natural preserve. On April 19, 2003 the Department of Natural Resources placed a sign at the Mt. Si trailhead to honor Lois North's work.

Committees: (1973) Ways and Means, Appropriations, vice-chair; Local Government; Parks and Recreation (1975) Appropriations, vice-chair; Local Government; Parks and Recreation (1977) Parks and Recreation, vice-chair; Local Government; Rules (1979) Local Government; Parks and Recreation; Rules (1981) Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs, ranking minority member; Local Government

Leadership, Positions & Appointments:

- North Bend city council member, 8 years
- Puget Sound Governmental Conference

Sources:

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