

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2002-4741, by Representatives McMorris, Sump, Hunt and Romero

WHEREAS, Each year high schools from around Washington participate in an academic decathlon, competing against one another in ten academic areas: Math, economics, science or social studies, literature, fine arts, music, essay, speech, interview, and a "super quiz" covering social studies or science; and

WHEREAS, An academic decathlon team is composed of nine students who have the opportunity to win gold, silver, or bronze medals in each of the ten academic areas; and

WHEREAS, An academic decathlon team's combined score determines the overall winner of the competition so that one team becomes Washington's academic decathlon team for that year, representing the state at the national academic decathlon; and

WHEREAS, Each team member sacrifices free time after school and on weekends to practice and prepare for the academic decathlon; and

WHEREAS, The Olympia High School academic decathlon team won a gold medal at the state competition, earning its members the right to represent Washington at the United States Academic Decathlon competition April 10-13 in Phoenix; and

WHEREAS, Leading the Olympia High School academic decathlon team is coach William Curtis, whose dedication and willingness to share his free time and energies enabled the team to win this year's state competition; and

WHEREAS, The Timberline High School academic decathlon team, under the direction of coach Richard Kistler, placed second in the state competition; and

WHEREAS, The Curlew High School academic decathlon team, coached by Karen Schaaf, placed third in the state competition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives recognize and honor the academic decathlon teams from Olympia High School, Timberline High School, and Curlew High School for their outstanding showings at this year's Washington State Academic Decathlon competition; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the principals of each high school for distribution to the individual team members and coaches.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
4741 Resolution adopted by the House of Representatives
March 13, 2002.

Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk