

**SENATE RESOLUTION
1997-8616**

By Senators Haugen, Swecker, Long and Spanel

WHEREAS, The industrial technology and woodworking class at Stanwood High School has earned a statewide reputation for excellence; and

WHEREAS, One of the reasons the woodworking program enjoys this reputation is because of the quality of instruction the students receive from Mike Chandler, himself a graduate of Stanwood High School; and

WHEREAS, Stanwood High School is one of the few schools that still places an emphasis on time-honored, traditional craftsmanship; and

WHEREAS, The students' projects range from impressive home and outdoor furniture to a wide array of handcrafted cabinetry; and

WHEREAS, The Stanwood High School woodworking program also supports the local economy by buying as much material as possible locally; and

WHEREAS, Stanwood is the only high school in the state that Weyerhaeuser sells materials to directly; and

WHEREAS, Students in the Stanwood High School woodworking program learn not only a craft and vocational skill, but they also learn to take pride in their workmanship, problem-solving skills, the ability to stay on task, and interpersonal skills; and

WHEREAS, The Stanwood High School woodworking program is the only high school invited annually by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to exhibit its projects during Vocational-Technical Education Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor and recognize the exceptional skills and craftsmanship demonstrated by students in the Stanwood High School woodworking program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate applaud and commend the outstanding job of teaching and mentoring that Mike Chandler has done at Stanwood High School for the past 21 years.

I, Mike O'Connell, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1997-8616,
adopted by the Senate February 14, 1997.

MIKE O'CONNELL
Secretary of the Senate