

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2000-4745, by Representatives Veloria, Cody, Schual-Berke, Keiser and Wensman

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to recognize the contributions of institutions that reflect the standards of excellence that enhance the well-being and quality of life of the citizens of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, The Tukwila School District serves two thousand five hundred fifty students; and

WHEREAS, Students in the Tukwila School District represent many cultures and ethnic groups, speaking more than twenty-five languages; and

WHEREAS, The Tukwila School District has initiated three university-school partnership programs with the University of Washington in the areas of teacher training, integrating the arts in elementary schools, and integrating instruction of environmental study and architectural design in elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, Showalter and Cascade View Schools, of the Tukwila School District, were awarded Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration grants for 1999-2000; and

WHEREAS, Cascade View Elementary School is conducting a Washington Reading Corps Volunteer Tutoring Program; and

WHEREAS, The percentage of fourth- and seventh-grade students who met or exceeded state standards for learning on the WASL improved significantly in math, reading, and writing between 1998 and 1999; and

WHEREAS, The Tukwila School District, in partnership with Rotary International, is sustaining a sister school/community partnership with the Village of Thillagrاند, Senegal; and

WHEREAS, Students from the Tukwila School District are visiting here today, February 11, 2000, escorted by Board Director Mary Fertakis, Superintendent Michael Silver, staff members, and parents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the great contribution made by the Tukwila School District to the education of the young people of Washington State; the diversity of the Tukwila School District's student body; and the significant achievements of the Tukwila School District in meeting education standards. The House of Representatives also extends congratulations to the Tukwila School District for initiating local, state, national, and international partnerships for learning.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4745 adopted by the House of Representatives
February 11, 2000.

Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerk

Cynthia Zehnder, Co-Chief Clerk