

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4698, by Representatives Darneille, Alexander, Anderson, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Blake, Campbell, Carlyle, Chandler, Chase, Chopp, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Dammeier, DeBolt, Dickerson, Driscoll, Dunshee, Eddy, Ericks, Ericksen, Fagan, Finn, Goodman, Green, Haigh, Haler, Hasegawa, Herrera, Hinkle, Hope, Hudgins, Hunt, Hunter, Hurst, Jacks, Johnson, Kagi, Kelley, Kenney, Kessler, Kirby, Klippert, Kretz, Kristiansen, Liias, Linville, Maxwell, McCoy, McCune, Miloscia, Moeller, Morrell, Morris, Nealey, Nelson, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Probst, Quall, Roach, Roberts, Rodne, Rolfes, Ross, Santos, Schmick, Seaquist, Sells, Shea, Short, Simpson, Smith, Springer, Sullivan, Takko, Taylor, Upthegrove, Van De Wege, Wallace, Walsh, Warnick, White, Williams, and Wood

WHEREAS, The Washington State Legislature recognizes and honors the contributions of individuals who exhibit the standards of excellence that advance the well-being and quality of life of all citizens of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Washington State Representative Dennis Flannigan has served the people of the 27th District and Washington with honor and distinction since 2003; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Flannigan has announced that he will not seek reelection to the Washington State Legislature this year; and

WHEREAS, Each and every year of Dennis Flannigan's outstanding service to the people of Washington was a shining example of his core principles of honesty, justice, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, Having established a reputation for his unwavering pursuit of transparency and openness, Dennis Flannigan maintained a steadfast commitment to showing his true colors at all times; and

WHEREAS, His love of black licorice, which he often referred to as "real" licorice, and classic white socks were just small snippets of his intriguing character; and

WHEREAS, As a fan of the arts, Dennis Flannigan has shown his creativity day in and day out with his love of words and his cartooning skills, which came in handy when responding to constituent questions; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Flannigan has been an avid record collector and music lover, as well as the producer of an annual Christmas CD that is coveted by all; and

WHEREAS, During his legislative career he has focused on doing good for the people of Washington, and has made many friends both within and outside of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, He has encouraged an inclusive community and brought people together by never underestimating the power of laughter, as well as delicious Chinese food; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Flannigan has undoubtedly touched thousands of lives through his work with the Legislature, Pierce County Council, Pierce County Alliance, Emergency Food Network, Pierce County Transit Board, and the Pierce County Safe Streets to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Numerous leading organizations, including the Pierce County Rotaries, Municipal League, and Pierce County Dispute Resolution Center have bestowed well-deserved honors on Dennis Flannigan for his integrity, vision and public service; and

WHEREAS, The Representatives, Senators, and staff of the Washington State Legislature will sorely miss Dennis Flannigan and his leadership;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington celebrate and long remember the character, accomplishments, and distinguished career of Representative Dennis Flannigan, and wish him all the best; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Washington State Representative Dennis Flannigan.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4698 adopted by the House of Representatives

March 10, 2010

Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk