

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4700, by Representatives Morris, Alexander, Anderson, Angel, Appleton, Armstrong, Bailey, Blake, Campbell, Carlyle, Chandler, Chase, Chopp, Clibborn, Cody, Condotta, Conway, Crouse, Dammeier, Darneille, DeBolt, Dickerson, Driscoll, Dunshee, Eddy, Ericks, Ericksen, Fagan, Finn, Flannigan, 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, Nealey, Nelson, O'Brien, Orcutt, Ormsby, Orwall, Parker, Pearson, Pedersen, Pettigrew, Priest, Probst, 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, Washington State Representative Dave Quall, who will forever be known as "Coach Quall" has served the people of the 40th district with integrity, honor, and dedication since 1993; and

WHEREAS, His wife and trusted advisor Allene Quall, daughters Kim Brown and Kay Witt, and six cherished grandchildren have served as his guideposts and source of strength and inspiration; and

WHEREAS, Representative Quall retired from a distinguished career after 38 years as a teacher, counselor, and basketball coach, and as a Running Start counselor and men's basketball coach at Skagit Valley College; and

WHEREAS, His former students and players stay in touch and he follows their exploits and those of their children; and

WHEREAS, Coach Quall remembers details of virtually every high school basketball playoff game played in the last 50 years; and

WHEREAS, Representative Quall is highly regarded as a strong advocate for his district, often working quietly behind the scenes; and

WHEREAS, His proudest achievement is the creation of the Northwest Career and Technical Academy in Mount Vernon, and the satellite Marine Technology Center in Anacortes, opening September 2010; and

WHEREAS, Representative Quall has chaired the House Education Committee since 1999, providing a model of bipartisan policy development focused on the needs of students; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dave Quall epitomizes civility, treating every person with respect and allowing everyone an opportunity to voice an opinion, even if it causes a committee hearing to run a tad long; and

WHEREAS, Virtually every education agency and advocacy group in the state knows that their bill stands a greater chance of passing the House Education Committee if they bring students to testify at the hearing; and

WHEREAS, Coach Quall is a fierce advocate for all forms of alternative learning: Homeschooling, online learning, skills centers, Running Start, Preapprenticeships, so that every student is provided a pathway to fulfill his or her dreams and goals for the future; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dave Quall clearly honored his Constitutional "paramount duty" to provide a strong public education system by living by Ben Edlund's mantra, "If it's good for boys and girls, let's do it"; and

WHEREAS, Representative Quall lives his Mother's wise counsel: "Less said, less mended," so that when he stood to speak on the House floor everyone knew he had something important to say; and

WHEREAS, Representative Dave Quall is known far and wide as a "dapper" dresser. We knew spring had arrived and Sine Die was near when he broke out his cheerful yellow jacket. In fact, Governor Gary Locke once dubbed him "Mr. GQ"; and

WHEREAS, Dave truly does love long walks, movies of any sort, golf in any weather and is game for any adventure including roaming around Boston at dawn just to get a walk in before a long work day; and

WHEREAS, Often when he is on vacation he will call his LA with a request to set up a visit to an interesting school that he has found; and

WHEREAS, All members, lobbyists, and staff who wanted time with Dave knew to schedule a walk around the Lake; and

WHEREAS, Dave can always be found early each morning at Starbucks; and

WHEREAS, His eclectic mix of Elvis Presley's gospel songs, jazz or country playing in his office will be missed. This eclectic taste in music was also evident as many meetings were interrupted by the melodious Amazing Grace ring of his cell phone;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives and the State of Washington celebrate and honor the distinguished legislative career and accomplishments of Representative Dave Quall, and wish him the very best in his next endeavor, even though we will miss him deeply; 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 Dave Quall and his family.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of  
Resolution 4700 adopted by the House of Representatives  
March 11, 2010

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Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk