

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2015-4612, by Representative Parker

1 WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State House of
2 Representatives to recognize the extraordinary accomplishments of
3 colleges and universities in the State of Washington; and

4 WHEREAS, Whitworth College, now Whitworth University, was founded
5 on February 20, 1890, in Sumner, Washington by George F. Whitworth;
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7 WHEREAS, In 1914, Whitworth relocated to Spokane, Washington from
8 Tacoma, Washington, commencing classes in September 1914; and

9 WHEREAS, Spokane developer Jay P. Graves' generous offer of land
10 and the enthusiastic support of Spokane's citizens, who raised
11 significant donations towards a building fund, led to Whitworth's
12 impressive and now prestigious campus in north Spokane; and

13 WHEREAS, Today, Whitworth has a student body of 3,000 students
14 and a strong educational program, teaching students the principles of
15 their majors and the Christian principles Whitworth was founded upon;
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17 WHEREAS, Whitworth's mission is to provide its diverse student
18 body with an education of mind and heart, equipping its graduates to
19 serve humanity; and

20 WHEREAS, The students who graduate from Whitworth go on not only
21 to apply what they have learned, but also to do so in a manner that
22 is singular to the ideals and morals of Whitworth; and

23 WHEREAS, An education received from Whitworth is marked by an
24 education of mind and heart, academic excellence, the integration of
25 faith and learning, and great opportunities to study abroad, enroll
26 in various internships and practicums, and receive an education that
27 is parallel to the great universities of our state; and

28 WHEREAS, Whitworth and the State of Washington have enjoyed a
29 strong and mutually enriching friendship that has benefited the
30 school, its students, and the citizens of Washington in immeasurable
31 ways; and

32 WHEREAS, Whitworth's academic honors, athletic victories, and
33 record of public service demonstrate the university putting its
34 mission into practice; and

1 WHEREAS, Whitworth's faculty and staff are given the freedom to
2 incite students to fearlessly ask questions, and go to great lengths
3 to prepare students for the work they will move on to after
4 graduation;

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House
6 of Representatives recognize the scholastic and athletic achievements
7 of Whitworth University, congratulate Whitworth University on its
8 125th anniversary, and honor Whitworth University's devotion to
9 educating students, which has made it among the most excellent
10 universities in Washington State; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
12 immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of
13 Representatives to Whitworth University.

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15 I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
16 Resolution 4612 adopted by the House of Representatives
17 February 12, 2015
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Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk