

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-4677, by Representatives Hudgins, Haler, Bergquist, S. Hunt, Ryu, Sells, Kilduff, Pettigrew, Griffey, and Stanford

1 WHEREAS, National African American Parent Involvement Day was
2 founded in 1995 in Michigan in response to a call-to-action for
3 parents to help youth overcome obstacles they face in society; and

4 WHEREAS, National African American Parent Involvement Day serves
5 to strengthen partnerships between schools, families, and communities
6 to advance student success and address the educational opportunity
7 gap; and

8 WHEREAS, The events of the day promote African American
9 involvement in their child's education by providing strategies to
10 create a more conducive learning environment and make best use of the
11 educational process at all levels; and

12 WHEREAS, National African American Parent Involvement Day
13 activities have the goal of broadening the social and racial
14 narrative concerning Black men by exposing students to the diversity
15 of Black male excellence and affirming the importance of educational
16 equity by celebrating children and families of African descent; and

17 WHEREAS, South Shore PK-8 School in the Seattle Public Schools
18 has participated in National African American Parent Involvement Day
19 since 2007; and

20 WHEREAS, Participation in National African American Parent
21 Involvement Day is growing, most recently to the Tukwila School
22 District this year; and

1 WHEREAS, Although National African American Parent Involvement
2 Day is centered on African American students, in Washington it is
3 inclusive of students and families from our multicultural and diverse
4 population;

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives
6 congratulate Seattle, Tukwila, and all participating Washington
7 communities in their recognition of February 8, 2016, as National
8 African American Parent Involvement Day; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
10 immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of
11 Representatives to the Seattle Public Schools, the Tukwila School
12 District, King County, the city of Seattle, and the city of Tukwila.

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14 I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
15 Resolution 4677 adopted by the House of Representatives
16 February 29, 2016

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22 Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk