

SENATE RESOLUTION

8684

By Senators Fain and Rolfes

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Kip Herren has ably served the Auburn community as a
2 teacher, coach, dean of students, assistant principal, principal,
3 associate superintendent, deputy superintendent, and superintendent;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Superintendent Herren has been active in a number of
6 civic organizations including service as president of Auburn Rotary,
7 president of the Auburn Area Chamber of Commerce, and president of
8 the Auburn Valley YMCA; and

9 WHEREAS, Superintendent Herren started his career in the Auburn
10 School District as the head wrestling coach at Auburn High School,
11 and he compiled an outstanding record with thirty-two athletes
12 placing at state and eight state champions; and

13 WHEREAS, Superintendent Herren taught finance and educational
14 policy at the University of Washington-Tacoma and serves on the
15 University of Washington's Professional Educator Administrator Board;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Superintendent Herren's outstanding leadership
18 abilities, desire to create meaningful change, and unquenchable
19 thirst to help children has served the students of the Auburn School
20 District for decades; and

21 WHEREAS, Under his leadership, the Auburn School District won the
22 Road Map Collective Impact award and two other individual Washington

1 State Achievement Awards in the past three years by closing
2 achievement gaps and implementing other learning innovations;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, The district has great economic and cultural
5 diversity among its 15,000 students, of which 2,500 are English
6 language learners; and

7 WHEREAS, Auburn School District students have consistently
8 excelled, achieving some of the best results among students
9 across the state; and

10 WHEREAS, Superintendent Herren's 40 years of work in the
11 field of education and 35 years with the Auburn School District
12 show his unparalleled commitment to preparing children for their
13 future; and

14 WHEREAS, Superintendent Herren is leaving on top, retiring
15 as the 2015 Washington State Superintendent of the Year;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State
17 Senate recognize Superintendent Herren for his career of
18 leadership and passionate commitment to the students and
19 families of the Auburn School District.

20 I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate,
21 do hereby certify that this is a true and
22 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8684,
23 adopted by the Senate
24 June 3, 2015

25 HUNTER G. GOODMAN
26 Secretary of the Senate