

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-4686, by Representatives Jenkins, Wilcox, Appleton, Barkis, Bergquist, Blake, Boehnke, Caldier, Callan, Chambers, Chandler, Chapman, Chopp, Cody, Corry, Davis, DeBolt, Dent, Doglio, Dolan, Duerr, Dufault, Dye, Entenman, Eslick, Fey, Fitzgibbon, Frame, Gildon, Goehner, Goodman, Graham, Gregerson, Griffey, Hansen, Harris, Hoff, Hudgins, Irwin, Jenkin, J. Johnson, Kilduff, Kirby, Klippert, Kloba, Kraft, Kretz, Leavitt, Lekanoff, Lovick, MacEwen, Macri, Maycumber, McCaslin, Mead, Morgan, Mosbrucker, Orcutt, Ormsby, Ortiz-Self, Orwall, Paul, Pellicciotti, Peterson, Pettigrew, Pollet, Ramel, Ramos, Riccelli, Robinson, Rude, Ryu, Santos, Schmick, Sells, Senn, Shea, Shewmake, Slatter, Smith, Springer, Steele, Stokesbary, Stonier, Sullivan, Sutherland, Tarleton, Thai, Tharinger, Valdez, Van Werven, Vick, Volz, Walen, Walsh, Wylie, Ybarra, and Young

1 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt was born on November 3,
2 1965, in Tacoma, Washington; and

3 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt traveled extensively as a
4 youth while his father served in the military; and

5 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt graduated from Cheyenne
6 East High School in Cheyenne, Wyoming; and

7 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt graduated from University
8 of Wyoming where he studied International Relations; and

9 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt married his wife, Amy, in
10 1989; and

11 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt and his wife, Amy, have
12 two children: Sophie (DeBolt) Traulsen and Austin DeBolt; and

13 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt has been a leader in the
14 business community, including as former Director of the Chehalis-
15 Centralia Chamber of Commerce; and

16 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt was elected to the
17 Washington State House of Representatives in 1996; and

18 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt has been a pillar in his
19 communities for years having served in several leadership roles,
20 including on the Board of Directors for the United Way of Lewis
21 County; and

1 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt has received numerous
2 awards and recognition from various groups for his work in the
3 Washington State Legislature and his communities; and

4 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt has advocated for
5 taxpayers, employers, schools, local governments, and more
6 accountability in state government during his time in the Washington
7 State Legislature; and

8 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt has provided strong
9 leadership for the House Republican Caucus in various positions,
10 including as House Republican Leader from 2006 to 2013; and

11 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt is the ranking Republican
12 on the House Capital Budget Committee, in which he has helped lead
13 efforts to finance K-12 education school construction, enhancements
14 in behavioral and mental health systems, programs to protect the
15 environment, and important projects in communities across the state;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt has led, and continues to
18 lead, efforts for Chehalis River flood-reduction programs; and

19 WHEREAS, On February 6, 2020, Representative Richard DeBolt
20 announced on the House floor that he would not seek reelection in
21 November 2020; and

22 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt's leadership, actions, and
23 devotion to causes have made a positive difference for the people and
24 communities of the 20th Legislative District and the State of
25 Washington; and

26 WHEREAS, Representative Richard DeBolt looks forward to
27 consulting, traveling, boating, golfing, and spending more time with
28 his family;

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives
30 recognize Richard DeBolt for his twenty-four years of dedicated
31 public service to the people and communities of the 20th Legislative
32 District and to the State of Washington; and

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
34 immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of
35 Representatives to the Honorable Richard DeBolt.

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