## SENATE RESOLUTION 1997-8636

By Senators Wood, Winsley, Kohl, McDonald, Anderson, Heavey, Thibaudeau, Loveland, Fraser, Roach, Jacobsen, Wojahn, Benton, Finkbeiner, Brown, Stevens, Johnson, Long, Patterson, Fairley, Prentice, Bauer, Rossi, Zarelli, West, Newhouse, Kline, Morton, Rasmussen, Strannigan, Haugen, Spanel, Swecker, Horn, Goings, Franklin, Sheldon, Swanson, Hochstatter, Schow, Prince and Snyder

WHEREAS, The Washington State legislature in 1981 established the Washington Scholars Program to recognize selected senior students from Washington public and private high schools for their academic achievements, leadership abilities, and community service contributions; and

WHEREAS, Three graduating seniors are selected from each of the state's forty-nine legislative districts by a review committee composed of distinguished secondary and postsecondary educators; and

WHEREAS, The students selected for special recognition as Washington Scholars have distinguished themselves by their energy and diversity as student leaders; as participants in music, debate, sports, and other activities; and through valuable service to their communities; and

WHEREAS, The families of these students have nurtured and supported the individual interests and special talents of their children; and

WHEREAS, The state of Washington benefits from the accomplishments of these caring and gifted individuals, not only as students, but as citizens of our communities and our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize and congratulate the Washington Scholars for their hard work, dedication, and maturity in achieving this noteworthy accomplishment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate commend the families of these students for their encouragement and support; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate immediately transmit copies of this resolution to all of the Washington Scholars from each of the fortynine legislative districts.

I, Mike O'Connell, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 1997-8636, adopted by the Senate April 18, 1997.

MIKE O'CONNELL Secretary of the Senate