SENATE RESOLUTION 2000-8714

By Senators McAuliffe, Long, Rasmussen, Kohl-Welles and Winsley

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to recognize extraordinary achievement in the field of education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Karen A. Forys, Superintendent of the Northshore School District, the state's eighth largest district, has been named Superintendent of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Under Dr. Forys's direction, the Northshore School District has achieved the highest fourth and eighth grade standardized test scores in the state, and the district's dropout rate is among the state's lowest; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Forys pushed for the International Baccalaureate Program at Inglemoor High School, a challenging curriculum that has kept some of the brightest students in public schools; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Karen Forys has been named as one of four finalists for National Superintendent of the Year by the American Association of School Administrators; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Forys will be attending the National Conference on Education in San Francisco in March, 2000, as the only finalist representing Washington;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Washington State Senate do hereby honor Dr. Karen Forys for her dedicated work and achievement on behalf of children and education in the state of Washington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Dr. Karen Forys, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Northshore School District Board of Directors.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 2000-8714, adopted by the Senate February 11, 2000. Secretary of the Senate