HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2001-4631, by Representatives Veloria, Schual-Berke, Cody and Keiser

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to recognize the contributions of institutions that reflect the standards of excellence that enhance the well-being and quality of life of the citizens of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, The Tukwila School District serves two thousand six hundred students; and

WHEREAS, Students in the Tukwila School District represent many cultures and ethnic groups, speaking more than twenty-five languages; and

WHEREAS, Showalter and Cascade View Schools were awarded Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration grants for 2000-2001; and

WHEREAS, The Tukwila School District has initiated three university-school partnership programs with the University of Washington in the areas of teacher training, integrating the arts in elementary schools, and integrating instruction of environmental study and architectural design in elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, Cascade View Elementary School is conducting a Washington Reading Corps Volunteer Tutoring Program; and

WHEREAS, A five-member organizational partnership has formed the Tukwila Community Schools Collaboration to improve student learning; and

WHEREAS, The Tukwila School District, in partnership with Rotary International, is sustaining a sister school/community partnership with the Village of Thillagrand, Senegal; and

WHEREAS, Students from the Tukwila School District visited the Legislature on February 23, 2001, escorted by Board Directors Mary Fertakis and Dawn Stewart, Superintendent Michael Silver, staff members, and parents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize: The great contribution made by the Tukwila School District to the education of the young people of Washington State; the diversity of the Tukwila School District's student body; and the significant achievements of the Tukwila School District in meeting education standards. The House of Representatives also extend congratulations to the Tukwila School District for initiating local, state, national, and international partnerships for learning; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives to the Tukwila School District.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4631 adopted by the House of Representatives March 21, 2001.