## SENATE RESOLUTION 8701

By Senator McAuliffe

WHEREAS, Northshore School District celebrates thirteen years of the C.P. Johnson Humanitarian Awards; and

WHEREAS, in 1987, Northshore School District Board became the first recipient of an annual Washington State Award for Excellence in Education, presented by then Governor Booth Gardner, and given to one school board each year; and

WHEREAS, the school board members elected to use their award money to establish the CP Johnson Humanitarian Award beginning in 1989, to be presented to two students annually who exemplify humanitarianism; and

WHEREAS, The CP Johnson Humanitarian award was established to honor Clifford Paul Johnson, Northshore School District's first Coordinator of Minority Studies, and to uphold his legacy of knowledge and awareness of ethnicity, prejudice and acceptance of others; and

WHEREAS, The CP Johnson Humanitarian Award designated the month of March as the month to celebrate humanitarianism in all Northshore Schools with diversity appreciation assemblies, programs, and the selection of two students from each school who continue CP Johnson's legacy; and

WHEREAS, The district guidelines require the award recipients to promote understanding and harmony and value the differences among people; and

WHEREAS, CP Johnson Humanitarian Award recipients also work to peacefully resolve conflicts, take risks to improve situations, maintain a positive outlook, and applaud and support others in their endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Like, CP Johnson, these students work cooperatively with others, are thoughtful and kind and sensitive to the feelings of others, and treat others with respect and dignity and practice humanitarian behaviors continuously; and

WHEREAS, CP Johnson's wife Dorothy, her mother Mabel Harris, Dorothy's sister Freddie, and her children Robert Braxton, Dorothy Braxton, and Freddie Marie Parker have also made significant contributions to education, their church, and their community and have made this award possible;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Washington State Senate recognize and salute the efforts of those in the Northshore School District, the family of CP Johnson, and Humanitarian Award Recipients for their dedication to and commitment to enrich the lives of others; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate immediately transmit a copy of this resolution to the Northshore School District Board of Directors and Dorothy Johnson.

I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8701, adopted by the Senate May 23, 2001.

TONY M. COOK Secretary of the Senate