

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.2005-4655, by Representatives Quall and Talcott

WHEREAS, The Washington State Legislative Internship Program was founded in 1955 by Professor Emeritus Hugh A. Bone, with students from the University of Washington, and Speaker of the House John L. O'Brien; and

WHEREAS, The Legislative Internship Program has, since 1971, while being overseen by the Legislature, grown to include undergraduate students from many public and private Washington State institutions of higher learning, including: Central Washington University, Eastern Washington University, The Evergreen State College, University of Washington, Washington State University, Western Washington University, Seattle University, University of Puget Sound, Whitworth College, Pacific Lutheran University, Gonzaga University, Saint Martin's College, Heritage University, and Seattle Pacific University; and

WHEREAS, The Legislative Internship Program has, while being one of the longest running legislative internship programs in the nation, become a model emulated by other state legislative internship programs; and

WHEREAS, Undergraduate student interns have provided legislators a measure of youthful energy, current academic insight, and hours of helpful assistance in serving their constituents and the citizens of Washington State, while at the same time adding to their own unique learning opportunity about the process of state government through the distinctive experience the internship provides; and

WHEREAS, Many interns have gone on to enjoy careers as legislative staff, lobbyists, Washington State Senators and Representatives, as well as many other esteemed positions involving the Washington State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Many interns leave the Legislature as stronger citizens who return to their communities and schools prepared to explain to others the role of citizens in the legislative process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington recognize and honor the 50th anniversary of the Legislative Internship Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington honor the accomplishments and contributions interns have made to the Legislature and their fellow citizens of the State of Washington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to John L. O'Brien and the sons of Hugh A. Bone and to the four-year colleges and universities of the State of Washington.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4655 adopted by the House of Representatives
March 31, 2005

Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk