

SENATE RESOLUTION

8718

By Senator Fain

1 WHEREAS, The Miss Auburn Scholarship Program is the leading
2 community-based scholarship competition of its kind in Washington
3 State; and

4 WHEREAS, The Miss Auburn Scholarship pageant is an official
5 preliminary to the Miss Washington and Miss America pageants; and

6 WHEREAS, The Miss Auburn Scholarship Program is a dynamic
7 educational program that provides opportunities for young women to
8 expand their quest for knowledge and acquire skills to better equip
9 them for future opportunities; and

10 WHEREAS, Twenty year old Whitney Van Vleet was crowned Miss
11 Auburn out of a pool of nine remarkable contestants; and

12 WHEREAS, Sixteen year old Olivia Thomas was crowned Miss Auburn's
13 Outstanding Teen; and

14 WHEREAS, Whitney is a student at Pacific Lutheran University
15 studying Criminal Justice; and

16 WHEREAS, After completing her graduate degree Whitney aspires to
17 one day become a major crimes detective in Auburn; and

18 WHEREAS, Whitney has participated in over twelve live-theater
19 productions in the Auburn community and can sing in five languages;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, Whitney has trained seven guide dogs for the
22 organization Guide Dogs for the Blind and she competed on the

1 platform of Guide Dogs for the Blind emphasizing the importance
2 of community service; and

3 WHEREAS, Whitney sang a very powerful rendition of "O Mio
4 Babbino Carro" by Puccini in Italian to demonstrate her talent;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Olivia is a Junior at Auburn Mountainview High
7 School and a six-year National Honor Society member; and

8 WHEREAS, Olivia hopes to obtain a Doctor of Medicine degree
9 and go on to become a pediatrician working overseas; and

10 WHEREAS, Olivia is a talented vocalist and has performed in
11 theater for 11 years including a part in a movie; and

12 WHEREAS, Olivia competed on the platform of Mental Illness
13 Awareness and Suicide Prevention and has been counselor to kids
14 at several camps in Auburn; and

15 WHEREAS, Olivia spent time raising money for the Auburn
16 Humane Society and successfully raised over \$400;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State
18 Senate recognize and support the good work of the Miss Auburn
19 Scholarship Program; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
21 immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the
22 Miss Auburn Scholarship Program, Whitney Van Vleet, Miss Auburn
23 2018, and Olivia Thomas, Miss Auburn Outstanding Teen 2018.

24 I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate,
25 do hereby certify that this is a true and
26 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8718,
27 adopted by the Senate
28 February 22, 2018

29 BRAD HENDRICKSON
30 Secretary of the Senate