

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-4666, by Representatives Dolan, Steele, and Bergquist

1 WHEREAS, Robust educational programs promote civility to
2 encourage pivotal participation in our state's legislative processes
3 and democratic institutions; and

4 WHEREAS, Civic education fortifies collaboration between
5 educators, legislators, and students statewide; and

6 WHEREAS, Civic education is provided statewide in schools by
7 instructors through curriculums that include government, history,
8 law, and democracy; and

9 WHEREAS, Organizations including TVW, the Secretary of State,
10 Legislative Youth Advisory Council, Washington World Fellows, 4-H
11 Know Your Government, Department of Children, Youth, and Families, We
12 the People, League of Women Voters, YMCA Youth in Government, Office
13 of the Superintendent of Public Instruction - History Day, the
14 Treasurer, iCivics, Model United Nations, Boys State, Girls state,
15 Youth Ambassadors, Association of Washington Student Leaders, Junior
16 State of America, and Americorps are keen on making civic education a
17 priority for Washington state and its citizens; and

18 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives exhibits responsibility to
19 civic education through the Washington State Legislative Internship
20 Program; and

21 WHEREAS, The 2020 Legislative Internship Program includes
22 students from seventeen of Washington's public and private
23 institutions; and

1 WHEREAS, Participants in the Legislative Internship Program and
2 other highlighted institutions leave their programs as stronger
3 students, and civically engaged citizens; and

4 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives demonstrates responsibility
5 to civic education through the Legislative Page Programs and Page
6 School; and

7 WHEREAS, Hundreds of students from across Washington have the
8 opportunity each year to observe the legislative process and other
9 branches of state government in action as pages; and

10 WHEREAS, Legislative support of educational opportunities for
11 youth and the general public is essential to civility in the state;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, The House of Representatives celebrate Civic
14 education and honor the contributions of teachers, principals,
15 community leaders, parents, state employees, interns, pages, and
16 volunteers that help form an engaged citizenry;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives
18 show gratitude and thank the civic educators of the state; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
20 immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of
21 Representatives to the civic education organizations participating in
22 Civic Education, schools of students participating in the Legislative
23 Page School, and colleges and universities participating in the
24 Washington State Legislative Internship Program.

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26 I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
27 Resolution 4666 adopted by the House of Representatives
28 February 24, 2020
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Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk