

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2000-4751, by Representatives O'Brien, Delvin, Cooper, Schoesler, Cairnes, Edwards, Ballasiotes, Lovick, Conway, Thomas, Radcliff, Wensman, Dunn, D. Schmidt, Barlean and Kagi

WHEREAS, John Turner has distinguished himself by serving as an outstanding law enforcement professional for 29 years in the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, John Turner was instrumental in the creation of the state's sex offender notification/registration laws, providing a sense of safety and security to citizens throughout the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, John Turner has dedicated himself to recognizing the needs of youth at risk and "walking his talk" through the creation of Mountlake Terrace's Neutral Zone, the nationally-recognized and duplicated, late-night program for at-risk youth, and legislation which protects volunteers who serve others; and

WHEREAS, John Turner was instrumental in creating the concept of community mobilization in the City of Marysville during his tenure as police chief, which was the model for the Community Mobilization Act granting financial incentives for communities to mobilize in the fight against substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, John Turner helped establish the state's High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area, resulting in federal appropriations to seven counties in the state and the creation of the first Northwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area; and

WHEREAS, John Turner was responsible for the establishment of law enforcement professionalization, resulting in the passage of legislation in 1999 that increased the basic police academy training from 440 hours to 720 hours; and

WHEREAS, John Turner has actively supported the community policing philosophy by establishing the City of Mountlake Terrace's Project 365, which, as its hallmark, encouraged community problem solving and partnerships with the police and other city departments, resulting in significant reductions in crime; and

WHEREAS, John Turner has retired from law enforcement to face new challenges as the Executive Director of Western Regional Institute for Community Oriented Public Safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the enduring service and steadfast commitment of John Turner to the law enforcement profession and the State of Washington and extend its heartfelt appreciation to John Turner for exceptional service and its best wishes to him in his future professional endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives to Mr. John Turner.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of  
Resolution 4751 adopted by the House of Representatives  
February 24, 2000.

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Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerk

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Cynthia Zehnder, Co-Chief Clerk