

SENATE RESOLUTION
2000-8725

By Senators Fraser, Sheldon, T., Kohl-Welles, Patterson, Snyder, Hale, Spanel, Sheldon, B., Brown, Sheahan, West, McAuliffe, Bauer, Franklin, Thibaudeau, Loveland, Horn, Jacobsen, Shin, and Gardner

WHEREAS, Jane Jervis has served The Evergreen State College for eight years as President with distinction, integrity, and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, Under the capable leadership of Dr. Jervis, The Evergreen State College has seen an increase in enrollment from 3,400 to 4,100 students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jervis has been at the helm during Evergreen's reaccreditation process, when the college was recognized as having an intellectual climate "almost unparalleled in higher education"; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jervis has led The Evergreen State College as it has become one of the most frequently and highly praised higher education institutions in the nation: Listed among the nation's top 15 percent by the Princeton Review; enjoying an academic reputation unsurpassed by any regional liberal arts college, public or private, in the nation, according to a 1999 U.S. News & World Report survey; and one of the colleges most often recommended by guidance counselors everywhere, according to the 1999 Kaplan National Guidance Counselor Survey; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jervis has provided support and inspiration instrumental in extending the influence of the college to the surrounding community, where 50,000 internship hours by students are provided each year to local and state government, businesses, and nonprofit organizations; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jervis has earned the esteem of her colleagues for her vast knowledge of higher education issues, steadfast dedication to the improvement of higher education in the state of Washington, and collegiality in working together for the benefit of all citizens in the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jervis has encouraged a culture of philanthropy and broadened the base of support for Evergreen, which led to a near tripling of the college's endowment over the past five years and made possible the creation of the Evergreen Fund for Innovation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jervis is widely recognized as a leading advocate for affordable tuition and adequate financial aid to assure that all qualified students have access to college; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jervis has earned the respect of the Evergreen community for her unwavering support of the mission of the college, her advocacy of Evergreen as a valuable community partner, and her belief that a liberal arts education provides an excellent foundation for a career; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jervis has won the abiding affection of her staff for her ability to develop well-reasoned positions and to effectively and thoroughly communicate issues in a thoughtful manner; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jervis's graciousness, sincerity, and devotion will be greatly missed by Evergreen's students, faculty, staff, trustees, alumni, and friends;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor Dr. Jane Jervis for her contributions to The Evergreen State College and the state of Washington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate's Office to Dr. Jane Jervis and to The Evergreen State College.

*I, Tony M. Cook, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 2000-8725,
adopted by the Senate March 7, 2000.*

TONY M. COOK
Secretary of the Senate