

SENATE RESOLUTION
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By Senator Haugen

WHEREAS, *The industrial technology and woodworking class at Stanwood High School has earned a statewide reputation for excellence; and*

WHEREAS, *One of the reasons the woodworking program enjoys a reputation is because of the quality of instruction the students receive from Mike Chandler, himself a graduate of Stanwood High School; and*

WHEREAS, *Students in the high school's Agricultural Mechanics class also participated in this year's popular woodworking display; and*

WHEREAS, *Stanwood High School is one of the few schools that still places an emphasis on time-honored, traditional craftsmanship; and*

WHEREAS, *The students' projects range from impressive living room furniture to kitchen cabinetry to outdoor furniture; and*

WHEREAS, *The Stanwood High School woodworking program also supports the local economy by buying as much material as possible locally; and*

WHEREAS, *Students in the Stanwood High School woodworking program learn not only a craft and vocational skill, but they also learn to take pride in their workmanship, problem-solving skills, the ability to stay on task, and interpersonal skills; and*

WHEREAS, *The Stanwood High School woodworking program is the only high school invited annually by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to exhibit its projects during Vocational-Technical Education Week;*

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor and recognize the exceptional skills and craftsmanship demonstrated by students in the Stanwood High School woodworking program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate applaud and commend the outstanding job of teaching and mentoring that Mike Chandler has done at Stanwood High School for the past twenty-one years.