

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 91-4625, by Representatives Vance and Roland

WHEREAS, The city of Auburn, Washington, is celebrating the centennial anniversary of its official incorporation on June 13, 1991; and

WHEREAS, On February 23, 1886, during the time when the White River Valley in the Washington Territory was first being settled, Auburn's founders, Levi and Mary Ballard, filed the plat for the town of Slaughter, Auburn's original name, honoring Lt. William Slaughter who was an army officer slain during the Indian conflicts of 1855; and

WHEREAS, The city was officially incorporated on June 13, 1891, and officially changed its name to Auburn in 1893; and

WHEREAS, The longstanding vitality of the city of Auburn as a center of commerce is evident by the fact that its oldest business, Cavanaugh Ace Hardware, recently celebrated the 100th anniversary of its opening in 1887; and

WHEREAS, The city of Auburn has consistently provided an attractive environment for industries to locate from its early industries of hop growing, the railroad, and dairy farming to its present industries which include the following major employers: Auburn Distribution Company, Boeing, BP Chemical, Burlington Northern, Fred Meyer, M. A. Segale Construction, Miles Sand and Gravel, Northwestern Drug, Puget Sound Power and Light, Rohr Industries, TCI Cable, Tim's Cascade Potato Chips, US West, and Washington Natural Gas; and

WHEREAS, The city of Auburn has for the past century maintained its distinctive character as a small town that is both a lively center of commerce and a special place for people to live and raise a family;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commend the people of Auburn for making and keeping their city an active center of commerce and an exceptional place to live, and send congratulations on this notable historic occasion when the people of Auburn look back with pride upon their past accomplishments and forward with enthusiasm to the new opportunities that are still before them; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the Mayor of Auburn, Bob Roegner.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4625 adopted by the Rules

Committee of the House of Representatives February 21, 1990.

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Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives