

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 91-4657, by Representatives Wineberry, Anderson, Heavey, Zellinsky, Locke, O'Brien and Valle

WHEREAS, Garfield High School was founded in 1920 and is one of the oldest high schools in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, Garfield's ethnically diverse student body is known for its academic, athletic, and artistic achievement; and

WHEREAS, Fifteen Garfield students won National Merit Scholarships this year; and

WHEREAS, The Garfield Bulldogs won this year's State Class AAA Boys Basketball Tournament for the tenth time in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, The Garfield Jazz Band was recognized this month as the best high school jazz band in the state and is one of twenty-five high school bands in the world to be invited to perform at the 25th anniversary Montreux Jazz Festival in Switzerland; and

WHEREAS, Garfield students participate in the world outside of school through their Natural Helpers substance abuse peer counseling program, beach cleaning, and other environmental activities and student exchange programs with high schools in Seattle's Soviet sister city, Tashkent; and

WHEREAS, Garfield's principle that "Everybody is Somebody" has produced such illustrious alumni as Quincy Jones, Jimi Hendrix, Bruce Lee, Debbie Armstrong, and Martin Selig, as well as state Representatives Mike Heavey and Paul Zellinsky; and

WHEREAS, Garfield's science magnet program attracts the top one percent of Seattle's academically gifted students and produces more national merit scholars than any other high school in the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington declare March 28, 1991, Garfield High School Day in Olympia and recognize the leadership of principal Perry Wilkins in fostering achievement at Garfield; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives also recognize the talent and musicianship of band leader Clarence Acox; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That basketball coach Al Hairston and team co-captains Bryan Boston and Derrick Quinet are honored for their leadership, sportsmanship, and skill in leading the boys basketball team to victory; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the entire student body, faculty, and staff of Garfield High School are commended for their achievement, commitment, and pursuit of educational excellence, which is a role model for other schools state-wide; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Governor Booth Gardner, Superintendent of Public Instruction Judith A. Billings, Seattle School Superintendent William M. Kendrick, Principal Perry Wilkins, and students and representatives of Garfield High School.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct  
copy of Resolution 4657 adopted by the House of  
Representatives March 27, 1991.

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Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives