

**SENATE RESOLUTION
1991-8615**

By Senators Roach and von Reichbauer

WHEREAS, On February 23, 1886, Auburn's founders, Levi and Mary Ballard, filed the plat for the town of Slaughter; and

WHEREAS, On June 13, 1891, the town was officially incorporated as Slaughter, taking its name from Lt. William Alloway Slaughter, an army officer slain in the area that is now north Auburn during the Indian conflicts of 1855; and

WHEREAS, The town's name was officially changed to Auburn in 1893 at the urging of new arrivals like Irving B. Knickerbocker, a former resident of Auburn, New York, and long-time leader in Auburn, Washington's, civic affairs; and

WHEREAS, Auburn will celebrate 100 years as a town and city on June 13, 1991; and

WHEREAS, Auburn enjoys a superb location near the beautiful Green River, between the Cascade Mountains and Puget Sound, in the heart of what people across the nation agree is one of America's most beautiful, liveable regions; and

WHEREAS, Auburn has managed to achieve a tasteful balance between liveability and commerce, offering people an ideal community in which to live, work, and raise their families; and

WHEREAS, Auburn retains the charm it has had since its inception, sponsoring entertaining community events like the "Good Ole Days" festival and parade, which brings Auburn citizens together to celebrate the city's roots; and

WHEREAS, The people of Auburn represent a finely blended, diverse citizenry, and have exhibited a robust community spirit in their ability to pull together to work for the benefit of their community; and

WHEREAS, Auburn is renowned for its excellent public schools, including Dick Scobee Elementary School, which in 1989 won the National Excellence Award for Education, and Auburn High School, which is currently one of our state's finalists in competition for the National Excellence Award and whose Trojan Marching Band is widely acclaimed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate congratulate the city of Auburn on the eve of its 100th birthday, commending its citizens and businesses for making Auburn a wonderful place to live, work, and grow up; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate immediately transmit copies of this resolution to the Mayor of Auburn, Bob Roegner.

I, Gordon A. Golob, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1991-8615,
adopted by the Senate February 22, 1991.

GORDON A. GOLOB
Secretary of the Senate