

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 93-4646, by Representatives Vance and Roland

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to recognize excellence in all fields of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, The Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program has exhibited the highest levels of excellence in winning numerous awards the past two years in state and national forensic competition; and

WHEREAS, The Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program teaches young people the art of public discussion and debate and helps develop skills in argumentative discourse; and

WHEREAS, The Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program will participate in some fourteen summer seminars and workshops during the summer of 1993 throughout the country with students participating at their own expense, including those at American University in Washington, D.C., University of Michigan, Northwestern University, University of Kansas, Baylor University, Stanford University, and Pacific Lutheran University here in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, The Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program has been invited to five national tournaments including those at the Bronx School of Science in New York City, Glenbrook North in Chicago, Redlands University in Los Angeles, University of California at Berkeley, Tournament of Champions at the University of Kentucky and the National Forensic League Nationals in Indianapolis, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, The following awards have been received by the Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program or its participants during the past two years:

(1) The Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program: Rated eighteenth in the nation by the National Forensic League in 1992; rated fifteenth in the nation by the National Forensic League and member of their "200 Club" with over two hundred members and degrees in 1993; 1992-93 Sweepstakes Award for the Championship of the Western Washington National Forensic League District; 1991-92 AAA Debate Academic State Championship as presented by the W.I.A.A.; and 1992-93 AAA Debate Academic State Championship as presented by the W.I.A.A.;

(2) Mike Burton: Outstanding Service to Forensic in the state of Washington as presented by the Washington State Forensic Coaches Association; 1992 Outstanding Forensic Education in the state of Washington as presented by the Pacific Lutheran Forensic Program; and 1992 National Forensic League Distinguished Key Award for Service;

(3) Hannah Knudsen: 1992-93 Outstanding Senior Forensic Student as presented by the Pacific Lutheran University Forensic team;

(4) Brenna Bell: 1992-93 Erik Helppie Award and Scholarship for the Outstanding Forensic Student in the state of Washington as presented by the Washington State Forensic Coaches Association;

(5) Shannon Smith: 1992 National Qualifier for the National Forensic League Nationals in Fargo, North Dakota;

(6) Nigel Barron and Larry Daugherty: 1993 National Qualifiers for the National Forensic League Nationals at Indianapolis, Indiana;

(7) Erika Rhett and Chris Kuhel: 1993 Alternates to the National Forensic League Nationals;

(8) Gavin Skok and Brent Jones: 1992 Degree of Outstanding Distinction from the National Forensic League for outstanding ability in speech and debate, an award provided to only one-half of one percent of all students involved in Forensics;

(9) Chris Kuhel and Erika Rhett: 1993 Degree of Outstanding Distinction from the National Forensic League for outstanding ability in speech and debate, an award provided to only one-half of one percent of all students involved in Forensics;

(10) Larry Daugherty: Winner of the Seattle-Chongquig Sister City Speech Contest to China for himself and his coach; and

(11) Mr. Archie McCallum, Former Principal-Retired 1992, Auburn Senior High School: 1992 Administrator of the Year as presented by the Washington State Forensic Association; and

WHEREAS, These program and individual accomplishments could not have been achieved without the support and encouragement of the students, alumni, families, friends, and community members, who backed them all the way; and

WHEREAS, The Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program Director of Forensics Mike Burton, and all the program participants, share in the Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program's success by combining outstanding direction with outstanding performance; and

WHEREAS, The individual and team achievements of the Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program over the past two years will always be remembered when commemorating their successes, and are a source of great pride to all the citizens of the state of Washington;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representative of the state of Washington honor the Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the Auburn Senior High School Forensic Program Director of Forensics Mike Burton, Auburn Senior High School Principal Kip Herren, Auburn School District Superintendent Dr. James P. Fugate, and President of the Board, Lee Singer.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4646 adopted by the House of Representatives
April 21, 1993.

Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk