

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.4681, by Representatives Schoesler and Haigh

WHEREAS, The 4-H Youth Development Program of Washington State University has helped young people in Washington develop useful "life skills" since it was established in 1902; and

WHEREAS, The program centers on teaching young people to become productive members of society by fostering self-esteem, communication, and decision-making skills; and

WHEREAS, 80,000 young people throughout Washington participated in 4-H Youth Development Programs in 2003; and

WHEREAS, These programs helped participants learn about a wide variety of subjects including science, family living, applied arts, and government activism; and

WHEREAS, These programs work with traditional community clubs and reach youth through urban groups, special interest groups, nutrition programs, after school programs, camping, and interagency learning experiences; and

WHEREAS, More than 300 4-H members from around the state are currently visiting the State Capitol as part of an annual statewide education program titled "4-H Know Your Government"; and

WHEREAS, The 4-H Know Your Government program focused this year on global education and the value of understanding diverse international and cultural perspectives; and

WHEREAS, 4-H will continue its dedication to empower young people to become active global citizens and realize the value, significance, and responsibility of taking part in local, regional, state, national, and international community issues; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Washington State House of Representatives recognize the 4-H Youth Development Program for its many contributions to the youth of Washington and the betterment of our communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk to Pat BoyEs, the State 4-H Director for the Washington 4-H Youth Development Program.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of  
Resolution 4681 adopted by the House of Representatives  
January 27, 2004

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Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk