

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2015-4638, by Representatives Farrell and Pollet

1 WHEREAS, Daniel K. Church, PhD is retiring from Bastyr University
2 on June 30, 2015, after ten years serving as the university's
3 president; and

4 WHEREAS, During his tenure, Dr. Church led Bastyr University to
5 preeminence in the field of natural medicine, such that it is now
6 distinguished as one of the most respected, globally recognized
7 academic centers in the natural arts and sciences; and

8 WHEREAS, During Dr. Church's tenure, Bastyr University has grown
9 to become one of the most trusted resources for understandable,
10 useful, and evidence-based information on healthy living, and is
11 widely regarded for excellence in providing innovative academic
12 programs that incorporate the most current knowledge to address the
13 health of the human community; and

14 WHEREAS, The major accomplishments of Dr. Church include the
15 purchase of the 51 acre Kenmore campus from the Archdiocese of
16 Seattle in 2005 and the establishment of a second campus and teaching
17 clinic in San Diego in 2012; and

18 WHEREAS, In 2012 and 2013, under Dr. Church's watch, Bastyr
19 Center for Natural Health in Seattle received the highest marks for
20 patient satisfaction of the 150 health care providers measured in the
21 Puget Sound area, as reported by the Puget Sound Health Alliance; and

22 WHEREAS, During Dr. Church's tenure, the number of external
23 community clinic sites in the Puget Sound area and the number of

1 patients treated annually expanded such that the clinics saw more
2 than 33,000 patient visits, approximately 66 percent of which were
3 provided as free or discounted care to underserved populations; and

4 WHEREAS, Under Dr. Church's leadership, Bastyr University
5 established the Center for Mind, Body, Spirit and Nature, the Center
6 for Social Justice and Diversity, the Center for Health Policy and
7 Leadership, the School of Traditional World Medicines, and nine new
8 accredited degree and certificate programs; and

9 WHEREAS, Under Dr. Church's leadership, Bastyr University
10 experienced a growth of 24 percent in the student body, from 973 in
11 the 2005 academic year to 1,210 in the current academic year; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Church actively built strong relationships with city
13 and county leaders and the business community, resulting in a
14 significant positive impact on the City of Kenmore and the region;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Dr. Church has embodied the very best attributes of an
17 enlightened leader, and has led the University to a position where it
18 has never before been stronger and more capable of fulfilling its
19 mission;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives
21 recognize and congratulate Dr. Daniel Church for his years of service
22 to higher education in Washington.

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24 I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
25 Resolution 4638 adopted by the House of Representatives

26 April 23, 2015
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Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk