HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-4667, by Representative Santos

- 1 WHEREAS, There are more than 300 local education agencies and 2 more than 2,000 schools throughout the State of Washington, all of 3 which are working to provide high quality educational opportunities 4 for the students they serve; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Each school and community is different, and some have 6 had to overcome great obstacles; and
- WHEREAS, Schools should be recognized not only for student achievement, but also for demonstrating growth and closing opportunity gaps; and
- 10 WHEREAS, State law directs the State Board of Education, the 11 Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the 12 Educational Opportunity Gap Oversight and Accountability Committee to 13 collaborate on school recognition; and
- 14 WHEREAS, In 2018, the United States Department of Education 15 approved Washington state's plan under the federal Every Student 16 Succeeds Act; and
- WHEREAS, The shift to the Every Student Succeeds Act accountability system presented an opportunity for Washington state to make its school recognition system more equitable; and
- 20 WHEREAS, The Washington school recognition program commits to upholding a recognition framework that showcases schools succeeding 22 in serving all students equitably; and

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1	WHEREAS, Each year, schools are to be identified and recognized
2	for their exemplary performance based on multiple outcomes and
3	indicators that are fair, consistent, transparent, and easily
4	understood by schools and communities; and
5	WHEREAS, The Washington school recognition program uses state and
6	local data to identify schools that have made gains in targeted areas
7	and are on a path toward overall improvements in achievement, growth,
8	and closing opportunity gaps; and
9	WHEREAS, In Spring 2020, over 350 schools across the state will
10	be recognized and celebrated for closing gaps, showing growth, and
11	demonstrating achievement in the previous school year; and
12	WHEREAS, The State Board of Education, the Educational
13	Opportunity Gap Oversight and Accountability Committee, and the
14	Superintendent of Public Instruction recognize April 27, 2020,
15	through May 1, 2020, as School Recognition Week;
16	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives
17	honor state-recognized schools and the extraordinary commitment of
18	Washington state's K-12 schools to our students' futures; and
19	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives
20	encourage schools and communities to join in this recognition by
21	celebrating state-recognized exemplar schools.
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23	I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
24	Resolution 4667 adopted by the House of Representatives
25	February 24, 2020
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31	Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk

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