

**SENATE RESOLUTION  
1997-8671**

By Senators Kline, Thibaudeau, Brown, Swanson, Hargrove, Franklin, Prentice, Wojahn, Patterson and Kohl

WHEREAS, The African American Academy in the Seattle School District first opened its doors to students in the fall of 1991 with the mission to increase academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, The African American Academy, educating three hundred seventy students in grades K-8, is dedicated to the principle that the future belongs to the prepared child; and

WHEREAS, The African American Academy prepares students to meet the future and to flourish in that future; and

WHEREAS, The African American Academy truly demonstrates that "it takes a whole village to raise a child" through the commitment of the community, parents, students, teachers, staff, and administrators to help each child achieve academic, vocational, and professional success; and

WHEREAS, The African American Academy meets the emotional needs of each child, and helps each child develop positive social and cultural skills; and

WHEREAS, The African American Academy provides all children with the education and skills to become leaders of tomorrow;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Senate of the state of Washington, that every student of the African American Academy be honored for their pursuit of academic excellence; that each parent and community member be honored for their support of the children and the school; and that the principal, teachers, and staff be commended for their dedication, hard work, and commitment to each student; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Seattle School Board and Superintendent John Stanford be commended for their commitment to creating and supporting a unique school that provides an education for children today and hope for tomorrow; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the African American Academy and to the Seattle School District.

I, Mike O'Connell, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1997-8671,  
adopted by the Senate April 22, 1997.

MIKE O'CONNELL  
Secretary of the Senate