Petition to the Washington State Board of Education For a Waiver of Three Full Days of School

Everett School District No. 2

Resolution No. 753

WHEREAS, the Everett School District Board of Directors ("Board") recognizes the importance of educational reform in Washington as set forth in the Educational Reform Act of 1993;

WHEREAS, the Board supports the efforts of the Commission on Student Learning and the development of the Essential Learnings as a vehicle for increasing student achievement;

WHEREAS, the Board has adopted as one of its goals to "provide resources and programs to ensure that all students meet or exceed standard as measured by the Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL);"

WHEREAS, the Board and the Everett Education Association United Teachers of Everett believe that effective staff development is enhanced by utilizing longer blocks of time;

WHEREAS, the Board understands the need to seek a waiver from the State Board of Education from the provisions of the minimum one hundred eighty student day school year requirement of RCW 28A.150.220 (5) to allow for continued staff inservice on the Essential Learnings.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

- 1. There is a need to seek a waiver from the State Board of Education from the provisions of the minimum one hundred eighty day student school year requirement of RCW 28A.150.220 (5) to allow for three (3) staff training days;
- 2. That the Superintendent is authorized to immediately prepare and submit a waiver request to the State Board of Education as set forth in WAC 180-18-050 on behalf of the Everett School District No. 2 for the year's 2002-03, 2003-04, and 2004-05.

Adopted by the Board of Directors at its regular meeting held July 9, 2002.

	Everett School District No. 2
	President President
Attest:	Vice President Board Member
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