

## RESOLUTION NO. 514

### UNFUNDED MANDATES

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Everett School District are directly accountable to the taxpayers and, unlike the federal government, must balance our budget every year; and

WHEREAS, the federal government is increasingly requiring school boards to perform services and implement programs without providing any money to pay for the services; and

WHEREAS, shifting the cost of mandates to school boards is hurting our students academically because millions of dollars that could be spent on books, computers and science equipment are instead being spent to comply with burdensome federal requirements; and

WHEREAS, parents and taxpayers are unaware of the impact on the schools of unfunded federal mandates; and

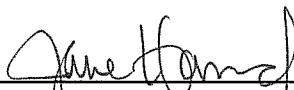
WHEREAS, we agree that many of the required services are worthwhile and improve education, but if the federal government is going to require a program, it must provide us with the money to carry it out:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Everett School District urge Congress and the Administration to include full federal funding for any new mandate arising from federal law, regulation or policy; and

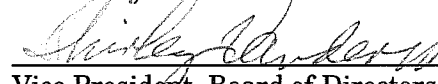
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that federal departments and agencies be required to provide scientific proof of any health, safety or environmental risks before imposing a new mandate on the schools; and

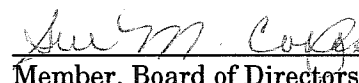
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Everett School District support "National Unfunded Mandates Day" on October 27, which marks the beginning of our effort to inform parents of children in our schools and taxpayers about unfunded federal requirements and their impact on the schools and their need for new funds.

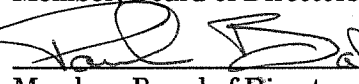
APPROVED THIS 25TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1993.

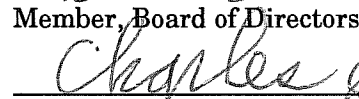
  
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