EVERETT SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 2 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 785

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR THE 2004 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Everett School District No. 2, Snohomish County, State of Washington, adopting legislative priorities for the 2004 legislative session.

WHEREAS, "It is the paramount duty of the State to make ample provision for the education of all children residing within its borders. . ." and

WHEREAS, school districts in the State of Washington need stable funding to promote quality educational reform and to attract and retain the highest quality instructional staff; and

WHEREAS, educational reform is very important and student accountability measures should be based on multiple, reliable measures of student achievement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of Everett School District No. 2, Snohomish County, Washington, adopts the following legislative priorities:

- Support efforts to provide a sustainable, predictable and equitable State tax structure and finance system for K-12 public education.
 - 1) Fully fund the staffing ratio improvements made possible by the Student Achievement Fund I-728, passed by voters in November, 2000, and oppose all efforts to amend, repeal or circumvent the intent of the Initiative.
 - 2) Establish a fair and competitive salary allocation system, which does not rely on local levy funds and is sufficient to attract and retain all school employees, as was the intent of I-732, passed by voters in November, 2000.
- Stay the course with respect to education reform, but ensure that student accountability efforts are based on multiple, reliable measures of student achievement.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Everett School District No. 2, Snohomish County,

Washington, at the regular meeting thereof held this 4th day of November, 2003.

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