



## THE WASHINGTON STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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An education system where students are engaged in personalized education pathways that prepare them for civic engagement, careers, postsecondary education, and lifelong learning

### RESOLUTION TO HONOR 2019 TEACHER OF THE YEAR MR. ROBERT HAND

Prepared for the May 2019 Board meeting

*In honor of Robert Hand* Washington's 2019 Teacher of the Year;

*whereas*, Mr. Hand teaches Family and Consumer Sciences at Mount Vernon High School and has taught Beginning Foods, Life After High School, Careers in Education, Nutrition, and Leadership;

*whereas*, he was instrumental in helping to develop an online curriculum for the Recruiting Washington Teachers program for the Professional Educator Standards Board;

*whereas*, his dedication to diversifying the educator workforce is evident to all;

*whereas*, he served as the advisor for the Social Justice Club as well as the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA);

*whereas*, Mr. Hand serves in numerous leadership roles including: participating on the School Engagement and Culture Committee as well as the District Equity Team in Mount Vernon;

*whereas*, he has taken students to national competitions where they have earned top honors for projects such as Nutrition and Wellness, Recycle and Redesign, and Advocacy;

*whereas*, he can be seen at his school between classes greeting students with a smile or a unique handshake he shares with them, to ensure each student feels known and appreciated;

*whereas*, Mr. Hand helps each of his students realize their full potential and develop the skills they need to be successful in high school and beyond;

*therefore be it resolved* that the Washington State Board of Education honors the outstanding work of Mr. Hand and other exemplary educators who remain dedicated to our most important endeavor: preparing all students for civic engagement, careers, postsecondary education, and lifelong learning.

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Peter Maier, Acting Chair