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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Kurt Triplett, City Manager

**From:** Marie Stake, Communications Program Manager

**Date:** April 23, 2012

**Subject:** Proclamation honoring Dr. Chip Kimball, Superintendent of Lake Washington School District

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Council authorizes the Mayor to sign the proclamation honoring Dr. Chip Kimball, Superintendent of Lake Washington School District.

**BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:**

At the May 1 City Council meeting Dr. Chip Kimball Superintendent of the Lake Washington School District will present the "State of the District." Dr. Kimball has been the Superintendent since June 2007 and is leaving the District on June 30, 2012 to become the Superintendent of the Singapore American School.

Under Dr. Kimball's leadership, Lake Washington School District has been the highest performing large school district in the state. Dr. Kimball has enthusiastically articulated and promoted the District's vision of all students to be "Future Ready."

The Kirkland City Council would like to formally recognize Dr. Kimball with a proclamation.



## A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND

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### Honoring Dr. Chip Kimball as a Visionary and Champion of Education in the Kirkland Community

**WHEREAS**, since June 2007, Dr. Chip Kimball has served as Superintendent for Lake Washington School District, leading the District toward its goal of having every student graduate prepared to lead a rewarding, responsible life as a contributing member of our community and greater society; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimball will leave the District on June 30, 2012 to become Superintendent of the Singapore American School; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimball has ensured fiscal stability of an agency with a budget over \$215 million, despite repeated budget cuts in K-12 education by the state legislature, and has focused expenditures on the classroom; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimball has been a champion of the use of technology in education, ensuring students gain the 21<sup>st</sup> century skills needed for careers in technology, an industry that is increasingly important to the economy of Kirkland; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kimball articulated and promoted the district's vision of all students "Future Ready," prepared for college, prepared for the global workplace and prepared for personal success; and

**WHEREAS**, under Dr. Kimball's leadership, the District passed a modernization bond in 2006 that has or will provide eight new school buildings in Kirkland, ensuring that students in those schools will have excellent facilities for years to come; and

**WHEREAS**, under Dr. Kimball's leadership, Lake Washington School District has been the highest performing large school district in the state; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Joan McBride, Mayor of Kirkland, on behalf of the Kirkland City Council and community, do hereby honor Dr. Chip Kimball for his years of exceptional leadership, vision, and service to the students and families of Kirkland.

Signed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2012

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Joan McBride, Mayor