

SENATE RESOLUTION
8677

By Senators Hewitt and Fraser

WHEREAS, April 2003 is designated Math Awareness Month in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, This nationally celebrated event is sponsored by great institutions like the American Mathematical Society, the Mathematical Association of America, and the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics; and

WHEREAS, The connection between mathematics and art goes back thousands of years; and

WHEREAS, The ancient Greeks and Romans used mathematics in sculptures and to aesthetically design buildings; and

WHEREAS, In the 15th century, Leonardo da Vinci wrote, "Let no one read me who is not a mathematician"; and

WHEREAS, In the 16th century, Durer employed mathematics to introduce perspective in drawings; and

WHEREAS, In the 18th and 19th centuries, mathematics was extensively used in the design of Gothic cathedrals, Rose windows, mosaics, and tiles; and

WHEREAS, In the 20th century, geometric forms were fundamental to the cubists and many abstract expressionists;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Washington encourage all residents to celebrate Math Awareness Month, April of 2003; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That schools, teachers, and families will continue to teach children the fundamentals of mathematics; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be dedicated to the memory of those who have taught and used mathematics for the benefit of others; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of the resolution be immediately transmitted to Columbia Basin College for its strong support of mathematics.

I, Milton H. Doumit, Jr., Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8677,
adopted by the Senate
April 24, 2003

MILTON H. DOUMIT, JR.
Secretary of the Senate