



## Legislation Text

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### **Fiscal Note**

No expenditure is required.

### **Title**

A RESOLUTION congratulating the fourth- and fifth-grade students at Glendale Elementary School for creating “Dreams of Our Future,” a collection of original illustrated books based on their hopes for the world and commending the many people who collaborated to make the project a reality.

### **Body**

WHEREAS, the James Watrous Gallery held an exhibition titled “The Fine Art of Children’s Book Illustration,” presenting the work of several of Wisconsin’s most accomplished authors/illustrators of children’s picture books ; and

WHEREAS, artist Pat Dillon conceived of and coordinated a collaboration between the Watrous Gallery, the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters, the Overture Center, illustrators of books for children and the Madison Metropolitan School District; and

WHEREAS, Glendale Elementary School, through the dedication and leadership of Principal Mickey Buhl, Victoria Vetter and Glendale staff, have risen to a top-level of achievement among elementary students throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, six fourth- and fifth-grade classes from Glendale Elementary School participated in the project, each class coming up with a word to describe their future hopes for the world; and

WHEREAS, the six words chosen were: clean, colorful, fun, animals, dreams and magical; and

WHEREAS, each word served as the basis for a children’s book describing the students’ collective hope for the future; and

WHEREAS, the students’ work was judged by a panel of professionals in the art world and four images from each class were chosen to hang in the Overture Center’s Playhouse Gallery for two months in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the student artists from Glendale Elementary School read and shared images from their self-created books during a program held in the Rotunda of the Overture Center for the Arts; and

WHEREAS, the American Girl’s corporate headquarters has offered to exhibit the “Dreams of Our Future” project at its Rotating Art Gallery in March and April 2010;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council congratulate the student artists at Glendale Elementary School for creating the outstanding “Dreams of Our Future” original art project, which imagined the future in which they wish to live.