HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 97-4666, by Representatives Kessler and Buck

WHEREAS, The Crescent High School Loggers raced to a convincing victory last December in capturing the Washington State B-8 Football Championship; and

WHEREAS, In guiding this impressive Tacoma Dome triumph, Crescent Head Coach Gary Kautz capped his twenty-nine-year coaching career at the helm of Logger football; and

WHEREAS, Assistant football Coaches Mike Hazellet and Clark Sage tirelessly worked with Coach Kautz in steering the Crescent troops to one of the most celebrated seasons in the annals of Logger time; and

WHEREAS, A large contingent of highly supportive Crescent boosters traveled from the northern Olympic Peninsula city of Joyce and the surrounding Crescent School District area to behold the state-wide prominence claimed by their gridiron mainstays; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of Joyce, no less than other northern Olympic Peninsula timber families, are battling problems not of their own making as federal court decisions hound the forest products industry; and

WHEREAS, Led by a formidable contingent of fourteen seniors, the twenty-six member Crescent football squad has earned the respect of these real-life loggers, and fired the imagination of all working families; and

WHEREAS, The high-powered Logger offense was never held to less than forty-five points in its undefeated 1996 football season, and the Loggers piled up seventy-two points in a semifinal contest the week before the championship showdown; and

WHEREAS, A Crescent defense every bit as dominating as the Crescent offense shut out their final opponent, an accomplishment rarely witnessed in the storied history of the state football playoffs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives hail and herald the Crescent Loggers for their undefeated, state championship football season; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the football coaching staff and administration at Crescent High School.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4666 adopted by the House of Representatives April 24, 1997.