

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 99-4650, by Representatives Gombosky, Wood, D. Sommers, Benson, Dunn, Thomas and Fortunato

WHEREAS, Gonzaga University's men's basketball team, the Bulldogs, have won their second consecutive West Coast Conference championship title with a decisive win over Santa Clara; and

WHEREAS, The Bulldogs basketball team has achieved their fourth championship title in this decade; and

WHEREAS, The Gonzaga Bulldogs defeated all Washington schools that they played this season, including the Washington State Cougars and the University of Washington Huskies; and

WHEREAS, Second year head coach Dan Monson guided the Bulldogs through two record setting seasons and successive conference titles; and

WHEREAS, After winning the 1999 West Coast Conference title, the Bulldogs earned a berth in the NCAA Basketball Tournament; and

WHEREAS, The NCAA Tournament is the intense competition that leads to the final four and eventually the collegiate national championship; and

WHEREAS, A berth in the NCAA Tournament is a high achievement of perseverance and team work; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Bulldogs basketball team are Eric Chilton, Jeremy Eaton, Quentin Hall, Matt Santangelo, Ryan Floyd, Damany Hendrix, Mike Leasure, Mark Spink, Richie Frahm, Mike Nilson, Axel Dench, Zach Gourde and Casey Calvary; and

WHEREAS, Gonzaga's coaching staff consists of Dan Monson, Mark Few, Bill Grier, Scott Snider, and trainer Steve DeLong; and

WHEREAS, The community of Spokane takes great pride in Gonzaga University and its men's championship basketball team;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives recognize and applaud Gonzaga University's men's basketball team for their achievement of both winning the West Coast Conference Championship title and receiving a well earned berth to the highly regarded NCAA Tournament; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives to the Gonzaga University's Athletic Department in Spokane, Washington; to the Bulldogs Head Coach Dan Monson, and to the President of Gonzaga University.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4650 adopted by the House of Representatives
March 12, 1999.

Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerk

Dean R. Foster Co-Chief Clerk