<u>HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2015-4628</u>, by Representatives Pettigrew and Santos

WHEREAS, The Honorable Garfield Bulldogs are the 2015 Washington State 3A Boys Basketball Champions, defeating the three-time defending champions, the Rainer Beach Vikings, 66 to 51; and

 WHEREAS, This championship illustrates the hard work of the student athletes at Garfield High School, as well as the effective teamwork, leadership, and discipline necessary to be a championship team; and

WHEREAS, A state championship win reflects the dedication and sacrifices of coaches and families, and the support of the entire community; and

WHEREAS, The Garfield community, including staff, parents, and fellow students, provided morale and spirit by rallying behind their Garfield Bulldogs; and

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives would like to recognize the accomplishment of Head Coach Ed Haskins and his staff, who led these young men to victory through their admirable guidance, dedication, and patience; and

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives would also like to recognize the commendable efforts and hard work of Garfield High School sophomore Mr. Jaylen Nowell, who was the 3A state tournament MVP, working alongside his teammates to achieve victory and honoring the team motto "what we can't do alone. . . we can do together";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives recognize and honor the Garfield Bulldogs boys basketball team for their well-earned championship title, and their incredible and distinct sense of community, pride, and student excellence; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the Washington State House of Representatives to Garfield High School.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4628 adopted by the House of Representatives March 26, 2015

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Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk

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