

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2002-4691, by Representatives Hatfield, Doumit, Quall and Cox

WHEREAS, Willapa Valley High School this past fall captured its fourth state football title when the Vikings put a dazzling finishing touch on yet another stellar season with a 39-18 victory over runner-up DeSales High School; and

WHEREAS, In addition to capturing the Washington State B-11 gridiron championship, the Vikings inscribed fourteen victories and not a single defeat into the school's storied athletic annals; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Rob Friese this past year again led his Pacific County powerhouse over, around, and through football foes as the Vikings sailed to ultimate statewide acclaim in the final siege at the Tacoma Dome; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Coaches John Peterson, Greg Wonhoff, and Dan Oppelt joined Coach Friese, who is also the Principal at Willapa Valley High School and Menlo Middle School, in guiding the Vikings to a flawless football campaign; and

WHEREAS, The Willapa Valley High School Vikings have now brought football crowns back to their Southwest Washington home in four different decades, not to mention, of course, two different centuries; and

WHEREAS, The postseason path to the Gridiron Classic for the Vikings featured triumphs over the likes of tough opponents representing high schools in Morton, Darrington, and Ritzville;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington acclaim and esteem the Willapa Valley High School Vikings 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 coaching staff and administration at Willapa Valley High School.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
4691 Resolution adopted by the House of Representatives
February 13, 2002.

Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk