SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 8013

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1 TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, 2 AND TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF 3 REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 4 UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED:

5 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of 6 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully 7 represent and petition as follows:

8 WHEREAS, Essential government services are supported on the state 9 and federal level; and

WHEREAS, Essential government services and infrastructure in the 10 11 state of Washington, including education, health care, and 12 transportation are supported by both state and federal governments; and 13 WHEREAS, Congress could ease the burden on taxpayers of the state 14 of Washington and taxpayers in all the United States by restricting certain federal income tax deductions for professional sports teams; 15

16 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the United 17 States Congress restrict the federal income tax deduction for the 18 losses of professional sports teams in order to provide that no losses 19 incurred by professional sports team owners shall be used to offset 1 gains or income from other business operations, or other sources of 2 personal income.

3 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately 4 transmitted to the Honorable George W. Bush, President of the United 5 States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the 6 House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of 7 Washington.

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