

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2013-4632, by Representatives Bergquist and Hudgins

WHEREAS, On Saturday, March 2, the Cleveland High School Eagles women's basketball team faced the Seattle Prep High School Panthers for the State Championship game; and

WHEREAS, The Eagles won their last 25 games in a row heading into the championship game and had not lost a game in the state of Washington. Having been crowned Metro Champions and District Champions, they also had not lost a home game in two and a half seasons; and

WHEREAS, The Eagles won the championship game 45-43 in overtime, scored the game winning points with 18 seconds left on the clock, and capped an amazing season with a state championship; and

WHEREAS, The Eagles have also done a great deal to benefit their community. Over the last three years, they have held a community basketball camp designed for 3rd-8th grade students focusing on basketball and life skills and have hosted a toy drive for families in need in their community, resulting in several hundred boys and girls receiving gifts during the holidays; and

WHEREAS, Six players earned all-league awards, including Makala Roper, who also earned all-state recognition; and

WHEREAS, Coach Stephanie Wheeler-Smith, who was hired in 2008, turned the program into a contender and a two-time state champion during her tenure and, along with a tremendous coaching staff, focused on academic excellence and sportsmanship;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives congratulate the Cleveland High School women's basketball team for their fantastic play this season and their community involvement and work ethic off the court.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4632 adopted by the House of Representatives
March 29, 2013

Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk