By Senators Hatfield and Fraser

WHEREAS, The 2012-2013 Mark Morris High School girls bowling and basketball teams wrote an inspiring story of hard work, dedication, and perseverance en route to state championships; and

WHEREAS, Both teams excelled not only in athletics but also in the classroom, proving themselves to be outstanding examples to other student athletes; and

WHEREAS, The Mark Morris High School girls bowling team continued a dominant run of success in 2013, winning the school's second consecutive state bowling championship and its third bowling title in the last four years; and

WHEREAS, The Mark Morris High School girls basketball team parlayed great composure and skill under pressure to win 18 consecutive games during the 2012-2013 season, including overtime wins in the 2A state semifinal and championship games; and

WHEREAS, The Mark Morris High School girls basketball team members' efforts on the court were mirrored by their success in the classroom, where they achieved a cumulative 3.30 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, The Mark Morris High School girls bowling and basketball teams were proud and worthy ambassadors for their high school, their school district, and the City of Longview;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor the tremendous achievement of the Mark Morris High School girls bowling and basketball teams; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That bowling coach Al Rigdon, basketball coach Steve Rooklidge, and their staffs be commended for their outstanding leadership in crafting their teams into champions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Washington State Senate, Mark Morris High School, and the Longview Daily News newspaper.

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution 8640, adopted by the Senate April 9, 2013

HUNTER G. GOODMAN Secretary of the Senate