

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 94-4679, by Representatives Foreman, Quall, Brough, J. Kohl, Backlund, Dyer and Conway

WHEREAS, The Seattle Pacific University soccer team, led by Coach Cliff McCrath, recently captured a record fifth NCAA Division II championship; and

WHEREAS, The 1993 Falcon edition featured more than a dozen graduates of Washington high schools from Oak Harbor to Lacey to Richland to Bellingham; and

WHEREAS, Coach Cliff McCrath's team hurdled numerous very tough opponents in an arduous race culminating with the national crown in December; and

WHEREAS, Trailing at one point in a semifinal match, the valiant Falcons persisted through four overtimes and a record breaking 13 penalty-kick rounds to seize an extraordinary 10-9 victory from Florida Tech; and

WHEREAS, Led by Jason Dunn's Offensive Most Valuable Player performance and Marcus Hahnemann's Defensive Most Valuable Player performance, Seattle Pacific University blanked defending national champion Southern Connecticut, 1-0, in the grand finale; and

WHEREAS, Jason Dunn and Marcus Hahnemann combined this year to set or equal 12 major game, season, and career records in their Falcon years, and Jason's twin brother, James Dunn, joined them in selection to the All-America team; and

WHEREAS, Coach McCrath founded the Falcon soccer program 23 years ago and, with great coaching skill, he has motivated his players to achieve five national championships, and 342 victories against only 105 defeats and 58 ties; and

WHEREAS, The former students of Seattle Pacific University, including some of its own here in this very chamber, take rightful pride not just in the Falcon soccer legacy but also and even more so in the school's conscientious, enduring heritage of honor and fair play;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington acclaim the national soccer champions from Seattle Pacific University; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Coach McCrath and his elite contingent, and to his colleagues at Seattle Pacific University.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4679 adopted by the House of Representatives
February 4, 1994.

Marilyn Showalter, Chief Clerk