

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 93-4624, by Representatives Jacobsen, Brough, J. Kohl, Miller, Ogden and G. Cole

WHEREAS, Many Washington state women have demonstrated leadership and provided direction as positive role models for Washington citizens; and

WHEREAS, Exceptional coaching enhances positive self-esteem and the development of pride and confidence; and

WHEREAS, Washington women coaches have encouraged, motivated, and enhanced the lives of our state's citizens by opening doors for participation in athletics; and

WHEREAS, These individuals have selflessly dedicated time, energy, emotions, and efforts into the sports arena, and successfully provided exceptional environments for all athletes; and

WHEREAS, Womens' athletics is one of the most effective avenues available for women in the United States to develop self-discipline, initiative, confidence, and leadership skills; and

WHEREAS, Female athletes need women role models as coaches, administrators, and athletic directors. There are many outstanding women serving in these positions including: Barbara Hedges serves as the University of Washington's Athletic Director, Chris Gobrecht as head women's basketball coach at the University of Washington, Doris Heritage Brown with the Seattle Pacific University Athletic Department, Dr. Sue Durrant with Washington State University, Sandy Neeley with Everett Community College, Marie Sather with Western Washington University, Joann Neil as a Federal Way High School coach, Lynda Goodrich as Western Washington University's Athletic Director, and Sandra Schneider as Lakeside High School's Athletic Director; and

WHEREAS, These and other women have exercised remarkable leadership by: Encouraging females to enroll in coaching courses, administration courses, officiating courses, and in athletic training programs in college; have spent extra time to work with and teach young women who are interested in learning about coaching, athletic training, officiating, and athletic administration; and created networks among women coaches, officials, sports information directors, and athletic directors to promote the interest of females in all aspects of sport;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, In recognition of the outstanding leadership of women in athletic leadership positions, the House of Representatives honor the female coaches, administrators, and athletic directors in Washington state.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4624 adopted by the House of Representatives
March 15, 1993.

Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk