

**SENATE RESOLUTION
1998-8693**

By Senator T. Sheldon

WHEREAS, The Washington State Legislature recognizes excellence, achievement and value in all fields of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Participation in athletic activities inspires individuals to go above and beyond to develop skills necessary for scholastic achievement and life success; and

WHEREAS, The Elma High School football team has been recognized for their extraordinary achievements on and off the field; and

WHEREAS, Under the coaching and supervision of Jim Hill and athletic director, Steve Bridge the team finished the 1997 season with a 13-0 record; and

WHEREAS, This team through hard work and dedication won the 1997 AA State Football Championship Award; and

WHEREAS, Team player, Ben Dougherty was named the state player of the year for the AA classification and recently signed a letter of intent to attend and play at Iowa State University next year; and

WHEREAS, The Elma High School football team through high achievement and lofty aspirations was awarded and recognized as the State Academic Champions; and

WHEREAS, Through high academic standards and goals inspired by dedicated coaches, the team has accomplished the highest grade point average among Washington State teams with a combined varsity scholastic average of 3.41;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Washington recognize and honor the Elma High School football team and coach Jim Hill for their accomplishments and hard work; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to coach Jim Hill, athletic director Steve Bridge, and the members of the Elma High School football team.

I, Mike O'Connell, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1998-8693,
adopted by the Senate February 4, 1998.

MIKE O'CONNELL
Secretary of the Senate