

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 99-4687, by Representatives Linville and Ericksen

WHEREAS, The soaring Blaine Borderites darted to an amazing 63-54 victory over the Pullman Greyhounds last month to capture the Washington State 2A boys' basketball championship; and

WHEREAS, Shaking off a mild case of the jitters at the outset of the title contest, the Blaine hoops corps roared back to seize a five-point halftime lead; and

WHEREAS, Blaine and Pullman went into the state championship bout each possessing an unblemished record of more than two dozen victories and no defeats; and

WHEREAS, Flying to victory after victory after victory, the Blaine team, undefeated on its home court since 1996, has snared three straight league and district crowns; and

WHEREAS, Heralded head coach Rob Ridnour and his highly regarded assistant coaches Rob Adams, Sean Dillon, Kris Kruse, George Long, Dan Rucker, and Kevin Williams tirelessly worked with their Borderites to bring home one of the most celebrated basketball seasons in the annals of Blaine sports; and

WHEREAS, Team members Austin Broyan, Brian Cedarquist, Charlie Franklin, Aaron Harmening, Matt Jones, Jesse Newell, Tony Nymeyer, Jesse Riddle, Luke Ridnour, Brad Scheib, Gerrit Southland (manager), John Spencer, and Barry Stieb brought honor and acclaim to the historic, peaceful, and international community of Blaine; and

WHEREAS, A large contingent of ardent Blaine boosters traveled from the Northwest Washington community and surrounding region to behold the state-wide prominence claimed by their basketball mainstays; and

WHEREAS, All season long, the Blaine defense, every bit as dominating as the Blaine offense, stymied opposing shooters and ball-handlers; and

WHEREAS, All season long, the Blaine offense, every bit as intimidating as the Blaine defense, flattened rival ploys and strategies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the state of Washington laud and applaud the Blaine Borderites for their untarnished, state championship boys' basketball season; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives to the boys' basketball coaching staff and the administration at Blaine High School.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4687 adopted by the House of Representatives
April 21, 1999.

Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerk

Dean R. Foster Co-Chief Clerk