HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.2003-4650, by Representatives Cairnes and Simpson

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the legislature to honor excellence in every field of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, The Cannons, a 14-year-old select baseball team based in Kent, became the first Washington State Team to win the 14-year-old Continental Amateur Baseball Association's Ultimate World Series on July 27, 2002, in Dublin, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, The Cannons won consecutive Washington State Sandy Koufax State Championships in 2001 and 2002; and

WHEREAS, The Cannons team members were: Cody Bartlett, Alex Burg, Curtis DuPart, Philip Hackney, Jeff Jack, Kurtis Kasper, Eric Kauffman, Tyler Kawaoka, Brandon Lee, Jay Ponciano, Donny Sorensen, Andrew Stephenson, Jesse Stokke, Tyler Turner, Zach Verdel, and Tyler Waugh; and

WHEREAS, The Cannons have exemplified to their community the success that is possible when clear goals are established and when persistent effort is made toward those goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor and congratulate the Cannons for their hard work, dedication, and sacrifice in achieving this significant accomplishment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Coach and Manager Tim Bartlett and Coaches Stu Johnson and Dave Waugh be recognized for their dedication, sacrifice, and leadership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the parents of the above-mentioned players be recognized for the important part they played in helping these student athletes excel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the value of the sport of baseball to young athletes in Washington State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to each of the coaches and members of the 2002 Cannons baseball team.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4650 adopted by the House of Representatives April 2, 2003

Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk