

SENATE RESOLUTION
8660

By Senators Delvin, Morton, Holmquist Newbry, Eide, King, Kohl-Welles, Brown, Schoesler, Haugen, Hargrove, White, and Hatfield

WHEREAS, Sheridan McDonald, a senior at Kiona-Benton High School, on February 19th 2011, won the state girls' wrestling championship in the annual Mat Classic; and

WHEREAS, Her 2011 state championship marks Sheridan McDonald's fourth straight girls' wrestling state championship, making her the first young woman to achieve this feat in the history of Washington state women's high school athletics; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of her high school career, Sheridan McDonald amassed a 90-33 win-loss record against both boys and girls, serving as a team captain of the Kiona-Benton Boys' Wrestling Team and winning a critical match in 2011 to lift her team to their league wrestling championship; and

WHEREAS, Sheridan McDonald's leadership, hard work, and tenacity have made her an inspiration to her teammates as well as to other young women throughout her high school athletic career, helping to raise the popularity of her sport among young women around the state; and

WHEREAS, Kiona-Benton City Wrestling Coach Ben Hill, has coached Sheridan since she was a freshman. "We have always challenged her and she always rose to the occasion. After her freshman season ended in a championship we told her that you have the bulls eye on your back. We told her to get in the weight room and she hit them hard"; and

WHEREAS, Both weight coaches in Benton City said, "We would love a room full of Sheridans. Her work ethic is out of this world. Sheridan was someone who would work her tail off and will be successful in whatever her field of endeavor"; and

WHEREAS, Sheridan McDonald has chosen to follow in her grandfather's footsteps by serving her country in the United States Marine Corps and hopes to wrestle competitively for the United States Marine Corps;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate hereby commend Sheridan McDonald for her outstanding accomplishments as the first four-time girls' wrestling state champion in the state of Washington; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Sheridan McDonald and to Kiona-Benton High School.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8660,
adopted by the Senate
April 22, 2011

THOMAS HOEMANN
Secretary of the Senate