

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 45

Congratulating the Eastern Washington University football team for winning the 2010 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division 1 Football Championship Subdivision title.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 3, 2011

Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the Eastern Washington University football team for winning the 2010 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division 1 Football Championship Subdivision title.

Whereas on January 7, 2011, the Eastern Washington University football team (referred to in this preamble as the “Eagles”) defeated the University of Delaware Blue Hens by a score of 20 to 19, to win the 2010 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division 1 Football Championship Subdivision title;

Whereas the Eagles were down for most of the championship game, trailing 0 to 19 until late in the third quarter;

Whereas, it was not until 1 minute and 48 seconds remained in the third quarter of the championship game that quar-

terback Bo Levi Mitchell threw a 22-yard touchdown pass to Brandon Kaufman;

Whereas Mitchell then threw another touchdown to Nicholas Edwards with 8 minutes and 16 seconds left in the fourth quarter;

Whereas Mitchell threw a third touchdown, again to Kaufman, with 2 minutes and 47 seconds left in the game, clinching a win in the Eagles' first trip to the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division 1 Football Championship Subdivision game;

Whereas the Eagles began the 2010 season in the newly renovated and dedicated Roos Field, named after Eastern Washington University alumnus and offensive lineman Michael Roos of the National Football League's Tennessee Titans;

Whereas Roos Field is the only Division 1 college football stadium to feature a red playing surface, leading Roos Field to be aptly nicknamed "The Inferno";

Whereas head coach Beau Baldwin was named the Coach of the Year by College Sporting News;

Whereas the 2010 Buck Buchanan Award, honoring the most outstanding defensive player in the Division I Football Championship Subdivision, was awarded to Eagles linebacker J.C. Sherritt;

Whereas Big Sky Conference honors were awarded to Eagles running back Taiwan Jones, who was named Offensive Player of the Year, and Eagles linebacker J.C. Sherritt, who was named Defensive Player of the Year;

Whereas the Eagles clinched a share of the 2010 Big Sky Conference title, with a conference record of 7-1 and an

overall season record of 13-2, and finished the 2010 season with an 11-game win streak; and

Whereas the Eagles enjoyed widespread support from their dedicated and spirited fans, as well as the entire Eastern Washington University community: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates the Eastern Washington Uni-
3 versity football team for winning the National Colle-
4 giate Athletic Association Division 1 Football Cham-
5 pionship Subdivision title;

6 (2) recognizes the hard work and dedication of
7 the players, head coach Beau Baldwin, and the as-
8 sistant coaches and support personnel who all played
9 critical roles in helping the Eastern Washington
10 University Eagles win the Subdivision title; and

11 (3) respectfully requests the Secretary of the
12 Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of the resolution
13 to—

14 (A) the President of Eastern Washington
15 University, Dr. Rodolfo Arévalo;

16 (B) the Athletic Director of Eastern Wash-
17 ington University, Bill Chaves; and

18 (C) the Head Coach of the Eastern Wash-
19 ington University football team, Beau Baldwin.

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