

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND COMMENDING THE BOISE STATE BRONCOS
FOOTBALL TEAM FOR ITS HISTORIC 2024 FOOTBALL SEASON.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, the Boise State Broncos football team had a historic 2024 season, winning 12 games, which is the most in a football season since 2019. The team won back-to-back Mountain West Conference football championship games, which was a first in program history. The team earned the number four seed in the 2024 College Football Playoff and played in the quarterfinal game at the Fiesta Bowl against Pennsylvania State University. The team was also nationally ranked throughout the season, even as high as number nine in the final College Football Playoff poll prior to the start of the playoff games; and

WHEREAS, the team's running back, Ashton Jeanty, had a historic season. He won the Maxwell Award, which is presented to the most outstanding players in college football, and the Doak Walker Award, which is presented to college football's top running back. He was also runner-up for the Heisman Memorial Trophy in the closest vote since 2009. He rushed for 2,601 yards, falling short by only 27 yards of matching the all-time National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I Football Bowl Subdivision record for the most yards rushed in a single season record, which was set in 1988 by Barry Sanders. Jeanty was also named a first team All-American by the Associated Press, the American Football Coaches Association, the Football Writers Association of America, Sporting News, and by the Walter Camp Football Foundation. He was the first Boise State Bronco football player to ever be named a unanimous All-American, as recognized by the NCAA; and

WHEREAS, the team's offensive lineman, Kage Casey, joined Ashton Jeanty in being named an All-American. He was selected to the All-America Second Team by the Walter Camp Football Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the team's head coach, Spencer Danielson, in his first full season as the team's head coach, was named the Mountain West Conference Coach of the Year after leading the team to 12 wins, 11 of which were in the regular football season, with a perfect home-game record of 7-0. He also led the team to its second conference championship in his time as the head coach. As the interim head coach in 2023, he led the team to the Mountain West Conference football championship; and

WHEREAS, Boise State Athletics and Bronco Nation sold out all seven home games at Albertsons Stadium in 2024, which included the Mountain West Conference football championship game. In one of those home games, the largest ever reported crowd of 37,711 fans watched the team defeat Washington State University with a score of 45-24. The Boise State Broncos football team set a program record for total season attendance of 259,801 and season average attendance of 37,114.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Ses-
2 sion of the Sixty-eighth Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and
3 the Senate concurring therein, that the Legislature commends the Boise State
4 Broncos football team for its historic 2024 football season.