

SENATE RESOLUTION

8655

By Senators Rivers, Nobles, Hunt, Dhingra, Lovick, MacEwen, Dozier, Hansen, Warnick, Boehnke, Hasegawa, Short, Keiser, Conway, Kuderer, and Torres

1           WHEREAS, Pete Carroll began his National Football League head  
2 coaching career with the New York Jets in the 1994 season and then  
3 coached the New England Patriots from 1997 to 1999; and

4           WHEREAS, Pete Carroll then spent nine seasons as the head coach  
5 at the University of Southern California, where he won seven  
6 consecutive Pac-10 titles and two national championships, and he led  
7 the Trojans to a 97-19 record; and

8           WHEREAS, Pete Carroll was named head coach of the Seattle  
9 Seahawks on January 11th, 2010; and

10           WHEREAS, On February 2nd, 2014, Pete Carroll led Seattle to its  
11 first Super Bowl title in franchise history with a resounding 43-8  
12 victory over the Denver Broncos in Super Bowl 48, earning him a  
13 beloved spot in the hearts of Seahawks fans, the 12s, throughout the  
14 Northwest; and

15           WHEREAS, After 14 seasons, 10 playoff appearances, and the team's  
16 only Super Bowl championship, it was announced on January 10th, 2024,  
17 that Pete Carroll will no longer be the Seattle Seahawks head coach;  
18 and

19           WHEREAS, Pete Carroll is one of only three coaches to win a Super  
20 Bowl and a college football national championship, with Jimmy Johnson  
21 and Barry Switzer being the first two; and

1           WHEREAS, In his 14 seasons as the Seahawks' coach, Pete  
2 Carroll compiled a regular season record of 137-89-1 and a  
3 playoff record of 10-9; and

4           WHEREAS, Pete Carroll's overall NFL coaching record is  
5 181-131-1 and his 181 combined wins, regular and postseason, are  
6 the 14th most in NFL history; and

7           WHEREAS, Pete Carroll prides himself on inclusive leadership  
8 and the ability to create an atmosphere of understanding by  
9 empowering his players to be themselves, making them feel heard;  
10 and

11           WHEREAS, Pete Carroll approaches coaching and leadership  
12 through compassion and love, which goes beyond just the football  
13 field but also in helping other people reach their full  
14 potential; and

15           WHEREAS, Pete Carroll's passion for working with people has  
16 gone beyond the football field but also within the community, as  
17 he founded philanthropic efforts in Seattle, Los Angeles, and  
18 around the country; and

19           WHEREAS, While at the University of Southern California,  
20 Pete Carroll started both in Los Angeles and Seattle a community-  
21 based street outreach team to help the youth who have been  
22 impacted by gangs and the juvenile justice system;

23           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State  
24 Senate honor and congratulate Pete Carroll, not only for his  
25 memorable and rewarding 14 seasons as the Seattle Seahawks head  
26 coach, but also for his dedication to making the world around  
27 him a better place; and

28           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be  
29 immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Pete  
30 Carroll.

31 I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate,  
32 do hereby certify that this is a true and  
33 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8655,  
34 adopted by the Senate  
35 February 8, 2024

- 1 SARAH BANNISTER
- 2 Secretary of the Senate