HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-4648, by Representatives Jenkin, Rude, Ryu, Ybarra, and Boehnke

WHEREAS, Jerry Cummins completed his graduate degree at Eastern Washington State College in Marketing Education in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Jerry served in the United States Navy from 1960 through 1983, after being in the reserves during his high school years; he retired as Chief Storekeeper (CPO, E-7), and had a shirt named after him upon retirement known as "Old Navy"; and

WHEREAS, Jerry worked as a teacher, education administrator, and vocational director at Walla Walla High School from 1975 through 2000; and during his tenure, he was the administrator of fifteen vocational programs and budgeting; and

WHEREAS, Jerry went on to be elected to serve on the Walla Walla City Council in 1991 and served continually since that date for a total of twenty-eight years; and

WHEREAS, Jerry chaired the City of Walla Walla Legislative Council from its inception until his retirement, and developed the concept of adopting state and federal legislative city council goals and priorities; and

WHEREAS, Jerry has done extensive work with the U.S. Highway 12 Coalition to widen the highway to four lanes from Walla Walla to the Tri-Cities; and

WHEREAS, Jerry has served sixteen years on the Tri-County Good Roads Association (Benton, Franklin, and Walla Walla Counties Good Roads Association), representing the City of Walla Walla; and

WHEREAS, Jerry has also served on the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) board of directors for four years; represented AWC as a Governor appointee to the Juvenile Justice Commission for five years; and was also appointed by the Governor to the Public Works Trust Board for eight years; and

WHEREAS, Jerry has also been an avid hot air balloon pilot and was licensed as a Commercial Lighter-Than-Air Pilot in 1988, he has owned and flown five hot air balloons for thirty-five years; he has also served as the Balloonmeister for the Walla Walla Balloon Stampede for many years; and

WHEREAS, Jerry married his wife Lynn in June of 1968, and they have four daughters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives honor Jerry Cummins for his dedication as a leader of education, a passionate civic voice, a great countryman for his service to our great nation, and his love for hot air balloons and, of course, his family; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Jerry Cummins.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of

Resolution 4648 adopted by the House of Representatives

January 24, 2020

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Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk