

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

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

3           WHEREAS, Jerry served in the United States Navy from 1960 through  
4 1983, after being in the reserves during his high school years; he  
5 retired as Chief Storekeeper (CPO, E-7), and had a shirt named after  
6 him upon retirement known as "Old Navy"; and

7           WHEREAS, Jerry worked as a teacher, education administrator, and  
8 vocational director at Walla Walla High School from 1975 through  
9 2000; and during his tenure, he was the administrator of fifteen  
10 vocational programs and budgeting; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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22           I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of  
23        Resolution 4648 adopted by the House of Representatives  
24                                    January 24, 2020

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                                  Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk