HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2017-4627, by Representative Vick

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to honor excellence in every field of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, For the first time in school history, the Camas Papermakers' Boys Swim Team won the 2017 4A Washington State Swim Championship; and

WHEREAS, On February 10 and 11, 2017, at the 4A district meet, the Papermakers set 18 pool and district records, won every event they entered, and qualified for the boys 4A State Swim Tournament; and

WHEREAS, On February 17 and 18, 2017, at the State Championship Meet, the Papermakers put on a dominant performance to win the state title, scoring 302 points, which was 96 more than the second place team; and

WHEREAS, At the State Meet, the Papermakers' Swim Team had a tremendous weekend of improved times; great team camaraderie; and fast swimming, with strong support from families, friends, and students; and

WHEREAS, The team showed strong unity, determination, and dedication to achieve their season long goal of bringing home the 4A state trophy, something that has never been done by a school south of Tacoma; and

WHEREAS, Swimmer Mark Kim won the 200 and 500 meter freestyle races, Tom Utas took first in the 50 meter freestyle, and Mark Kim, Eric Wu, Jaden Kim, and Tom Utas earned a victory in the 200 freestyle relay; and

WHEREAS, The Camas High School Boys 4A Swim Team State Championship participants were: Luke Albert, Jeff Fadlovich, Tom Utas, Finn McClone, Mark Kim, Chris Xia, Brian Andrade, Jaden Kim, Eric Wu, and Austin Fogel; and

WHEREAS, The Papermakers' coach and 4A Boys coach of the year, Mike Bemis, acknowledged that this team's title is a testament to both his current squad as well as past swimmers who helped set up the Papermakers' success; and

WHEREAS, The Camas Papermakers' swimmers have exemplified to their classmates the success that is possible in any field of endeavor when clear goals are established and when persistent effort is made toward those goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor and congratulate the Camas High School Boys Swim Team for their hard work, dedication, and sacrifice in achieving this significant accomplishment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to coach Mike Bemis and Camas High School.

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

Resolution 4627 adopted by the House of Representatives

March 20, 2017

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Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk