

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2018-4660, by Representatives Steele and Condotta

1 WHEREAS, Gary Lee Knowlton was born on September 9, 1965, and
2 passed away on July 16, 2016; and

3 WHEREAS, While attending Brewster High School in Brewster,
4 Washington, Gary participated in football, basketball, and track. He
5 and his teammates represented Brewster at the State Championships
6 several years in a row, taking home the first place trophy in 1984.
7 Gary also excelled at track and went to State competitions in track
8 for most of his high school career; and

9 WHEREAS, Gary loved competing in the Decathlon and continued his
10 track career at Spokane Falls Community College and later at
11 Whitworth College. In 1987, Gary placed 7th at Nationals in track,
12 one place out of being All-American, after improving his high jump
13 from 5'9" to 6'5" and his long jump nearly 2'; and

14 WHEREAS, Gary met his wife, Deana, while working at the Brewster
15 pool during summer break from college. Gary and Deana married on
16 September 3, 1988, in Twisp, Washington, and made their home in
17 Brewster where Gary worked as a teacher at the Brewster School
18 District for 19 years; and

19 WHEREAS, Gary and Deana coached the swim team for almost 4 years
20 at the Brewster pool where Gary also served as a lifeguard for 24
21 years and later served as a lifeguard for the Manson Bay Park for the
22 last 8 years of his life. Manson Bay Park has since been renamed Gary
23 Knowlton Memorial Park; and

