HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2023-4631, by Representative McClintock

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State House of Representatives to recognize excellence in every field of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Hezekiah Hewes won a gold and bronze medal at the 2022 Special Olympics Spring Games; and

WHEREAS, Hezekiah placed first in the fifty-meter swim event and placed third in the twenty-five meter swim event; and

WHEREAS, Hezekiah overcame numerous obstacles in his training such as his practice pool which was far from Hewes's residence, a shortage of lifeguards which limited training hours for Hewes and those he trained with, not to mention the disastrous impact of COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns on student-athletes; and

WHEREAS, Hezekiah has proven his dedication to his studies by graduating with a 4.0 GPA while training to compete in the 2022 Special Olympics Spring Games;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives congratulate Hezekiah Hewes on his accomplishments and congratulate his mother and father as well as the Battleground community for this memorable achievement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to gold and bronze medalist Hezekiah Hewes.

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

Resolution 4631 adopted by the House of Representatives

March 29, 2023

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Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk