

H. Res. 1418

In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

September 24 (legislative day, September 23), 2008.

Whereas Michael Phelps swam in 17 races over the course of 9 days in the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympic Games and surpassed Olympic icon Mark Spitz by becoming the only athlete to win 8 gold medals in a single Olympics;

Whereas Michael Phelps set 7 world records and 8 Olympic records in 8 events in those Olympic Games;

Whereas Michael Phelps is one of the most highly decorated Olympians ever, with 14 gold medals and 2 bronze medals over his Olympic career;

Whereas as a member of the United States men's relay swim teams, Michael Phelps helped set world records and win 3 gold medals for the United States 2008 Olympic swim team; and

Whereas Michael Phelps epitomized the Olympic spirit by demonstrating patriotism, strength, and humility throughout the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympic Games: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates Michael Phelps of Baltimore, Maryland, for his outstanding athletic achievements during the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympic Games, achieve-

ments that set him apart as one of the most highly decorated and accomplished Olympic athletes in world history;

(2) recognizes the achievements of Michael Phelps and all the members of the United States 2008 Olympic swim team; and

(3) directs the Clerk of the House of Representatives to transmit a copy of this resolution to Michael Phelps; Mark Schubert, head coach of the United States 2008 Olympic swim team; and Bob Bowman, chief executive officer of the North Baltimore Aquatic Club and assistant coach of the United States 2008 Olympic swim team for appropriate display.

Attest:

Clerk.