## 111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## H. RES. 625

Recognizing and commending the 2009 National Veterans Wheelchair Games, to be held in Spokane, Washington, July 13 through 18, 2009.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

July 10, 2009

Mrs. McMorris Rodgers (for herself, Mr. Larsen of Washington, Mr. Ins-Lee, and Mr. Reichert) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

## **RESOLUTION**

- Recognizing and commending the 2009 National Veterans Wheelchair Games, to be held in Spokane, Washington, July 13 through 18, 2009.
- Whereas the National Veterans Wheelchair Games are a multi-event sports and rehabilitation program for veterans who use wheelchairs for sports competition due to spinal cord injuries, amputations, or neurological problems;
- Whereas the National Veterans Wheelchair Games attract more than 500 athletes annually, making the Games the largest annual wheelchair sports event in the world;
- Whereas in 2009, the National Veterans Wheelchair Games will be held July 13 through 18, in Spokane, Washington;

Whereas competitive events at the National Veterans Wheelchair Games include swimming, table tennis, weightlifting, archery, air guns, basketball, nine-ball, softball, quad rugby, bowling, hand cycling, trapshooting, wheelchair slalom, power soccer, a motorized wheelchair rally, and track and field events;

Whereas the National Veterans Wheelchair Games provide veterans with disabilities a chance to improve their quality of life and foster better health through sports competition; and

Whereas past National Veterans Wheelchair Games have produced national and world-class champions and given newly disabled veterans, including veterans who have served in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, a chance to gain athletic skills and be exposed to other wheelchair athletes: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) recognizes the significant contribution that
the National Veterans Wheelchair Games make to
the lives of disabled veterans who have selflessly
served the United States, including those veterans
who have served in Operation Iraqi Freedom and
Operation Enduring Freedom; and

(2) commends the organizers of and participants in the 2009 National Veterans Wheelchair Games for their efforts in the service of the United States.

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