

proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

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CONGRATULATING THE WASHINGTON STEALTH

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 1546) congratulating the Washington Stealth for winning the National Lacrosse League Championship, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 1546

Whereas, on May 15, 2010, the Washington Stealth defeated Toronto Rock 15 to 11 in the National Lacrosse League Championship in Everett, Washington;

Whereas the Stealth franchise won the Western Division during the regular season with a NLL-best 11 and 5 record, capturing the Western Divisional Championship by defeating the Edmonton Rush;

Whereas the 2010 National Lacrosse League Championship game was sold out and 8,609 people watched the game at the Comcast Arena in Everett, Washington;

Whereas this was the Washington Stealth's first season in Everett, Washington, after spending 6 seasons in San Jose, California;

Whereas Washington Stealth led the National Lacrosse League in goal-scoring with 211 goals in 16 regular season games;

Whereas team member Lewis Ratcliff was the league's top goal-scorer with 46 goals and earned the Championship Game MVP honors after scoring 5 goals during the championship game;

Whereas David Takata, President of Washington Stealth, has been named the National Lacrosse League's Executive of the Year;

Whereas Chris Hall, Head Coach of Washington Stealth, has been named the National Lacrosse League's Coach of the Year;

Whereas Forwards Lewis Ratcliff and Rhys Duch have earned the honor of Second Team All-Pro;

Whereas Defenseman Matt Beers earned the honor of All-Rookie Team;

Whereas Lacrosse is one of America's fastest-growing sports;

Whereas the National Lacrosse League has 11 teams throughout North America;

Whereas the National Lacrosse League's West Division includes the Washington Stealth, Colorado Mammoth, Minnesota Swarm, Edmonton Rush, and Calgary Roughnecks;

Whereas the National Lacrosse League's East Division includes the Toronto Rock, Boston Blazers, Rochester Knighthawks, Buffalo Bandits, Orlando Titans, and Philadelphia Wings;

Whereas 2010 marked the National Lacrosse League's 24th season; and

Whereas over 1,000,000 fans enter the doors of the National Lacrosse League arenas on a yearly basis: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates the Washington Stealth for winning the National Lacrosse League Championship; and

(2) recognizes the achievements of the players, coaches, students, and support staff who were instrumental in the victory.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from

California (Ms. CHU) and the gentleman from California (Mr. BILBRAY) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

There was no objection.

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

On behalf of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, I present House Resolution 1546 for consideration. This measure congratulates the Washington Stealth for winning the National Lacrosse League championship.

Mr. Speaker, lacrosse is among the Nation's fastest-growing sports, and its origins on this continent are centuries old. I am, therefore, very glad that we can congratulate the Washington Stealth on their victory in the National Lacrosse League championship earlier this year.

House Resolution 1546 was introduced by our colleague, the gentleman from Washington, Representative Jay Inslee, on July 21, 2010. It was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which ordered it reported favorably by unanimous consent on July 28, 2010. It enjoys the support of over 50 Members of the House.

Mr. Speaker, let us now take time to congratulate the Washington Stealth and the entire team organization on a historic championship through the passage of House Resolution 1546. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting it.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, the minority will support this bill. And, as pointed out by the gentlelady, this is probably—in fact, I would kind of challenge my own history background—the only general sport that has its origin from the New World. Lacrosse was actually a training device by American Indians to be able to train their young, sadly, for war. But it is a sport now that obviously may look a lot like a violent confrontation but is actually a very, very competitive sport, especially out here in the East.

I appreciate the fact that we are recognizing the Washington Stealth. They must live up to their name. A lot of us have not heard of them before. But I, representing the minority, will accept the motion and will support it, Mr. Speaker.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. CHU. I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1546, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

SUPPORTING THE UNITED STATES PARALYMPICS

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 1479) supporting the United States Paralympics, honoring the Paralympic athletes, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 1479

Whereas today there are more than 21 million Americans with a physical disability;

Whereas in the past few years thousands of military personnel have sustained serious injuries during active duty;

Whereas research shows that daily physical activity enhances self-esteem and peer relationships, and results in increased achievement, better overall health, and a higher quality of life;

Whereas United States Paralympics, a division of the United States Olympic Committee, is dedicated to becoming the world leader in the Paralympic sports movement, and promoting excellence in the lives of people with physical disabilities;

Whereas since its formation in 2001, United States Paralympics has been inspiring Americans to achieve their dreams;

Whereas United States Paralympics makes a difference in the lives of thousands of individuals with a physical disability every day;

Whereas United States Paralympic athletes have been competing in the Paralympic Games since 1960;

Whereas the athletes in the Paralympic Games are the very best at their sports, devote countless hours to training, and receive support from their families, schools, and communities;

Whereas the United States Paralympics Team brought home a total of 13 medals, including 4 gold medals, from the 2010 Paralympic Winter games in Vancouver; and

Whereas the United States Paralympics Team won gold medals in Ice Hockey (Ice Sledge Hockey), Women's Super Combined (Sitting), Women's Downhill (Sitting), and Women's Giant Slalom (Sitting): Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the United States House of Representatives—

(1) supports the work of the United States Paralympics;

(2) congratulates all of the United States Paralympics Team medal winners from the 2010 Winter Paralympic Games in Vancouver, British Columbia;

(3) honors all of the Paralympic athletes for their contributions to the games; and

(4) recognizes the contributions of the athletes' families, schools, and communities to