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1 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. _____
1 2 BY JACOBS, CLUTE, ABDUL-SAMAD, ALONS, ANDERSON,
1 3 BAILEY, BAUDLER, BELL, BERRY, BOAL, BUKTA,
1 4 CHAMBERS, COHOON, DANDEKAR, DAVITT, DE BOEF,
1 5 DEYOE, DOLECHECK, DRAKE, FOEGE, FORD, FORRISTALL,
1 6 FREVERT, GASKILL, GAYMAN, GIPP, GRANZOW, GRASSLEY,
1 7 GREINER, HEATON, HEDDENS, HOFFMAN, HORBACH,
1 8 HUNTER, HUSEMAN, HUSER, JACOBY, JOCHUM, KELLEY,
1 9 KRESSIG, KUHN, LENSING, LUKAN, LYKAM,
1 10 MASCHER, MAY, McCARTHY, MERTZ, H. MILLER,
1 11 L. MILLER, MURPHY, OLDSOON, D. OLSON, R. OLSON,
1 12 S. OLSON, T. OLSON, PALMER, PETERSEN,
1 13 PETTENGILL, QUIRK, RAECKER, RANTS, RASMUSSEN,
1 14 RAYHONS, REASONER, REICHERT, ROBERTS, SANDS,
1 15 SCHUELLER, SMITH, SODERBERG, STAED, STRUYK,
1 16 SWAIM, D. TAYLOR, T. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TJEPKES,
1 17 TOMENGA, TYMESON, UPMEYER, VAN ENGELENHOVEN,
1 18 VAN FOSSEN, WATTS, WENDT, WENTHE, WESSEL-KROESCHELL,
1 19 WHITAKER, WHITEAD, WINCKLER, WINDSCHITL,
1 20 WISE, ZIRKELBACH, ARNOLD, WIENCEK, SCHICKEL,
1 21 PAULSEN, and KAUFMANN
1 22 A Resolution honoring the remarkable achievements of
1 23 Iowa's own Shawn Johnson.
1 24 WHEREAS, the life and career of Iowa high school
1 25 student Shawn Johnson is a testament to the value of
1 26 hard work and a dedication to excellence; and
1 27 WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson began a career in gymnastics
1 28 at the age of three and through more than a decade of
1 29 perseverance and hard work is now an elite
1 30 international gymnast at the age of 16, already being
2 1 compared to the United States' first female all-around
2 2 world champion gymnast, Kim Zmeskal; and
2 3 WHEREAS, under the guidance of coaches Liang Qiao
2 4 and Liwen Zhuang, Ms. Johnson first appeared on the
2 5 national scene in 2005, placing third in the junior
2 6 division at the 2005 U.S. Classic and in 2006 was the
2 7 2006 U.S. Junior National All-Around Champion; and
2 8 WHEREAS, in 2007, Ms. Johnson's fiery combination
2 9 of power and skills catapulted her to world attention,
2 10 winning the all-around at the 2007 Tyson American Cup,
2 11 winning four gold medals and one silver medal at the
2 12 2007 Pan American Games, and winning the 2007 Visa
2 13 National Championships; and
2 14 WHEREAS, in September 2007, along with teammates
2 15 Nastia Liukin, Shayla Worley, Alicia Sacramone, Ivana
2 16 Hong, and Samantha Peszek, Ms. Johnson placed first in
2 17 the team competition in the 40th World Artistic
2 18 Gymnastics Championships held in Stuttgart, Germany,
2 19 and individually placed first in the all-around and
2 20 the floor competition; and
2 21 WHEREAS, as the 2007 World All-Around Champion, Ms.
2 22 Johnson is now training in the hope of joining the
2 23 United States women's gymnastic team at the 2008
2 24 Beijing Olympics; NOW THEREFORE,
2 25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
2 26 That on behalf of all Iowans, the House of
2 27 Representatives honors Shawn Johnson, a remarkable
2 28 young athlete whose dedication, skill, poise, and
2 29 grace have taken her to the world stage and will take
2 30 her farther still in the future.
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