HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.4699, by Representatives McCoy, Hankins, and Skinner

WHEREAS, Demitri Robinson, who is a young member of the Tulalip Tribes in Snohomish County, wrestled his way to the 2008 Washington State Class B Championship in the 103-pound division; and

WHEREAS, Demitri is a freshman at Tulalip Heritage High School, and he is the very first Tulalip tribal member to win a state wrestling crown; and

WHEREAS, Wrestling for Marysville-Pilchuck High School because his high school does not have a wrestling team, Demitri finished his unforgettable season with a record of twenty-five triumphs and only two defeats; and

WHEREAS, The newly crowned state champion wrestler bested a competitive finals opponent who brought an impressive record of his own going into the decisive showdown with Demitri; and

WHEREAS, Capturing one of the most exciting matches in the Mat Classic XX wrestling tournament, Demitri was leading 4-0 in the closing moments of the thrilling championship contest when he pinned his Oroville High School rival; and

WHEREAS, A son of proud foster parents Lee Gilford and Michelle Myles, the soft-spoken Demitri let his superb wrestling talent and prowess do the talking in the young man's historic Saturday, February 16, 2008, state championship; and

WHEREAS, Tulalip Tribal Council member Tony Hatch, who is an assistant wrestling coach at Marysville-Pilchuck, was quoted in the Everett Herald newspaper as saying that for Demitri "to be able to step in as a freshman and win it, that's great";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the State of Washington honor, commend, and celebrate 2008 Washington state wrestling champion Demitri Robinson; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Demitri Robinson and his family, to the Tulalip Tribes and Tulalip Heritage High School, and to Marysville-Pilchuck High School.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4699 adopted by the House of Representatives February 29, 2008

Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk