

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-4662, by Representatives Ybarra, Dufault, Corry, Valdez, Volz, J. Johnson, Orwall, Walen, Boehnke, Goehner, Schmick, Abbarno, Callan, Dye, Chambers, McCaslin, Jacobsen, Riccelli, Dent, Chase, Orcutt, Robertson, Simmons, Klicker, Chandler, Hoff, Kraft, and Morgan

1 WHEREAS, Cooper Douglas Kupp was born in Yakima, Washington on
2 June 15, 1993, to Craig and Karin Kupp; and

3 WHEREAS, Cooper graduated from A.C. Davis High School in Yakima
4 in 2012, where he earned first-team All-Columbia Basin Big Nine
5 League wide receiver and defensive back honors for himself and the
6 Davis Pirates football program; and

7 WHEREAS, Cooper went on to attend Eastern Washington University
8 (EWU) where he played football for the EWU Eagles under the coaching
9 of Beau Baldwin from 2012 to 2016, and was the first freshman wide
10 receiver to be named first-team All-American since 1996 - going on to
11 win that award for a second time in 2014; and

12 WHEREAS, Cooper was named first-team Big Sky Conference wide
13 receiver, holding that title for three consecutive years, breaking
14 league records for receptions, receiving yards, and receiving
15 touchdowns, and going on to win the Walter Payton Award; and

16 WHEREAS, The Los Angeles Rams drafted Cooper Kupp in the third
17 round of the 2017 NFL draft, becoming the second highest pick in EWU
18 history; and

19 WHEREAS, Cooper had a breakout rookie year and was named to the
20 2017 All-Rookie Team by the Pro Football Writers Association (PFWA);
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Cooper suffered an injury during the 2018 season and
23 missed the chance to play in Super Bowl LIII with his team; and

1 WHEREAS, Cooper ignored the skeptics and worked hard to overcome
2 his injury, returning to football in 2019 to finish the season with
3 well over 1,000 receiving yards, catching 10 touchdowns, including a
4 stretch where he caught a touchdown in five consecutive games; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2021, Cooper broke the record for most receiving
6 yards in a single season, including postseason, with 2,425 yards and
7 was voted the NFL Offensive Player of the Year for, among other
8 things, being the first player since 2005 to lead the league in
9 receptions, receiving touchdowns, and receiving yards (the "triple
10 crown"); and

11 WHEREAS, Cooper was named the Most Valuable Player (MVP) of Super
12 Bowl LVI after a 92-yard, two touchdown effort including the game
13 winning touchdown catch in the game versus the Cincinnati Bengals;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Cooper's athletic accomplishments have inspired
16 Washingtonians across the state, including the men, women, and
17 children in his hometown of Yakima, Davis High School, and the EWU
18 Eagles football programs; and

19 WHEREAS, Cooper continues to humbly serve others by helping young
20 athletes and supporting several local charities - attributing his
21 success to God, faith, and family - which includes his beloved wife
22 Anna and their two sons, Cooper Jameson Kupp and Cypress Stellar
23 Kupp;

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of
25 Representatives, on behalf of the people, recognize and honor the
26 life and profession of Cooper Douglas Kupp, a native Washingtonian
27 and National Football League wide receiver for the Los Angeles Rams;
28 and

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be
30 immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of
31 Representatives to Cooper Kupp and his family.

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