

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4685, by Representatives Parker, Holy, Riccelli, Warnick, MacEwen, Short, Hayes, Vick, Klippert, Walsh, Smith, Tharinger, Lytton, Clibborn, Reykdal, Johnson, Ormsby, Pettigrew, Freeman, Springer, Sawyer, Bergquist, Takko, S. Hunt, Orwall, Appleton, Ryu, Senn, Moscoso, Fey, Robinson, Ross, Nealey, Fagan, Chandler, Zeiger, Haler, Kochmar, Christian, Schmick, Manweller, Sells, Goodman, Tarleton, and Hurst

WHEREAS, Taima, an Augur Hawk, was born in World Bird Sanctuary in St. Louis, Missouri on April 21, 2005, and arrived in Spokane on June 13, 2005; and

WHEREAS, David and Robin Knutson, both passionate Seahawks fans from Spokane, Washington are his handlers; and

WHEREAS, His name means thunder, which aligns perfectly with the Seattle Seahawks' renowned drum line, the Blue Thunder, as well as their vaunted backfield, The Legion of Boom; and

WHEREAS, Taima has a wing span of approximately 4.5 feet and stands at twenty-eight inches. He has a black head and tail, separated by a crème chest, with a distinct crème throat with a black stripe; and

WHEREAS, He has been released to thousands of cheering fans at every Seattle Seahawks home game since 2005; and

WHEREAS, He was called the team's good luck charm by former Seahawk quarterback Matt Hasselbeck; and

WHEREAS, He has become a uniting element to Washington state, bringing Eastern Washington and Western Washington together during Seahawks games;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives honor and recognize Taima the Hawk for his accomplishments as an official mascot of the Seattle Seahawks; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to David and Robin Knutson.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4685 adopted by the House of Representatives
February 20, 2014

Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk