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## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the IM ABLE Foundation and its founder, Chris Kaag,  
2 for their efforts in encouraging people with disabilities to  
3 live active lifestyles.

4 WHEREAS, In 2007, the IM ABLE Foundation was created to build  
5 on the active lifestyles that founder Chris Kaag promotes for  
6 individuals with disabilities; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Kaag, a disabled United States Marine who at 21  
8 years of age was diagnosed with adrenomyeloneuropathy (AMN),  
9 focuses his efforts on activities and events that benefit both  
10 the disabled and able-bodied communities; and

11 WHEREAS, The IM ABLE Foundation's goal is to help individuals  
12 with disabilities find the physical fitness modality that meets  
13 their needs; and

14 WHEREAS, With handcycles, racing chairs, adaptive skis and  
15 other advancements in technology, it is possible for anyone who  
16 has a disability to increase their fitness level; and

1       WHEREAS, Staying active benefits not only the body but also  
2 the mind, and the IM ABLE Foundation endeavors to help disabled  
3 individuals achieve the goal of physical and mental well-being;  
4 and

5       WHEREAS, The mission of the IM ABLE Foundation is to enrich  
6 lives through raising awareness about physical fitness  
7 possibilities for disabled individuals and to encourage  
8 individuals of all abilities to be more active; therefore be it

9       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the IM  
10 ABLE Foundation and its founder, Chris Kaag, for their efforts  
11 in encouraging people with disabilities and others to live  
12 active lifestyles.