HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2024-4669, by Representative Schmick

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WHEREAS, Terry Cochran wrestled in high school for two years; and
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        WHEREAS, Terry Cochran was encouraged by Hall of Famer Joe Babbi
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    to start his career as a wrestling official while living in Eastern
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    Washington; and
        WHEREAS, Terry Cochran began officiating for the Whitman County
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    Wrestling Officials Association in 1987 and quickly became very
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    successful; and
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        WHEREAS,
                  Terry Cochran
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    Outstanding Wrestling Official recognition in 2011; and
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        WHEREAS, The Whitman County Wrestling Officials Association only
    services a few schools, Terry also officiates for the Inland Empire
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    Wrestling Officials Association and the Idaho District 2 Wrestling
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    Officials Associations; and
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        WHEREAS, Terry Cochran has served in a leadership position
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             in 1997, as the Whitman County Wrestling Association
    starting
    Assigning Secretary, a position he still holds; and
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        WHEREAS, Cochran has officiated in 30 Washington State Wrestling
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    Tournaments and six Idaho State Wrestling Tournaments; and
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        WHEREAS, Over his
                             35-year officiating career, Cochran
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    officiated numerous league, district, and regional tournaments where
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    he was the head official for many of those tournaments; and
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WHEREAS, Terry Cochran also officiates USA Wrestling tournaments

and officiated some college club wrestling from 2008-2013; and

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WHEREAS, Terry Cochran proudly approached his officiating duties to highlight the athleticism and skills of the wrestlers, not to draw attention to the referee. He valued and officiated in a manner which emphasized safety for the wrestlers. He has garnered such respect that it is not uncommon for him to receive a handshake and words of appreciation from wrestlers he may run into off the mat; and WHEREAS, Outside of officiating wrestling, Terry is an event volunteer for the Colfax Chamber of Commerce; Fire Commissioner for District 11 of Whitman County; member of the Steptoe Fire Department since 2015; and volunteer in the Beef Barn and at the Steptoe Food Booth at the Palouse Empire Fair for over 20 years; and WHEREAS, As a Service Technician for Jones Truck and Implement,

Cochran currently resides near Colfax, Washington, with his wife, Nancy. They have two adult children, Maggee and Ben, grandchildren: Waylon, Zaidee, Murphee, Case, and Louden;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State House of Representatives honor and congratulate Terry Cochran; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the of Representatives to Terry Cochran.

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I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 4669 adopted by the House of Representatives February 16, 2024

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30 Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk

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