

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives are  
3 pleased to congratulate the Naperville Central Redhawks  
4 Swimming and Diving Team for winning the State IHSA Swimming  
5 Championship on February 22, 2002; and

6 WHEREAS, The Redhawks capped off their year, which  
7 included victories at the DuPage Valley Conference  
8 Championships and the Nequa Valley Sectional, with a  
9 thrilling 1.5 point victory in the State finals; Naperville  
10 Central, which finished third in the 400-yard freestyle relay  
11 in 3 minutes 8.74 seconds, collected 24 team points to close  
12 with 136.5 points, while Lake Forest ended with 135 points;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, The 1.5 point victory margin is the closest  
15 outright championship margin in the meet's 70-year history;  
16 there have been two ties; and

17 WHEREAS, Naperville Central won the 200-yard medley relay  
18 with the team of Billy Pearce, Jose Lopez-Lago, Miguel  
19 Lopez-Lago and Pat Fleming for the Redhawks' only event  
20 championship in 1 minute 35 seconds; the Redhawks also placed  
21 second in the 200 freestyle relay and had enough strong  
22 individual performances, including a second place finish by  
23 Pat Fleming in the 100 freestyle, to acquire the winning  
24 point total; and

25 WHEREAS, The members of the team include Chris Cash, Ken  
26 Goebel, Miguel Lopez-Lago, Drew Page, Jeff Dahlstrom, Mike  
27 Horwitz, Jim Lullo, Billy Pearce, Pat Fleming, Dan Li, Matt  
28 McNichols, George Petruck, Doug Gartland, Jose Lopez-Lago,  
29 Doug Mikita, and Mike Swanson; the team was led by Head Coach  
30 Mike Adams, Assistant Swim Coach Paul Desruisseaux, Assistant  
31 Diving Coach, Laura Warren, and was assisted by Dough Helm,  
32 Bob Peto, Vince Kuna, and Bill Salentine; and

1           WHEREAS, During their season, the dedicated Redhawk team  
2 practiced from dawn to dusk, starting at 5:15 in the morning  
3 and often not leaving until 7 P.M.; their strength,  
4 dedication, and courage is visibly displayed in their  
5 outstanding performance in the State tournament; and

6           WHEREAS, The Naperville Central High School Student Body  
7 and staff formally thanked the Redhawk swimming team and  
8 their coaches on their championship win during an assembly  
9 held in the school's gymnasium; the Boys Varsity Swim and  
10 Diving team is the 4th sports team to win a State  
11 Championship title in the school's history; therefore, be it

12           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
13 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
14 we congratulate the Naperville Central High School Boys  
15 Varsity Swimming and Diving Team on winning the 2002 IHSA  
16 State Boys Swimming Championship; and be it further

17           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
18 presented to Tom Paulsen, principal of Naperville Central  
19 High School, Head Coach Mike Adams, Assistant Swim Coach Paul  
20 Desruisseaux, Assistant Diving Coach, Laura Warren, to those  
21 who assisted the team: Dough Helm, Bob Peto, Vince Kuna, and  
22 Bill Salentine, and to each member of the team as an  
23 expression of our esteem.