

H. Res. 471

In the House of Representatives, U. S.,

July 30, 2007.

Whereas on June 6, 2007, in Anaheim, California, the Anaheim Ducks won the National Hockey League Stanley Cup, with a 6–2 victory over the Ottawa Senators in the decisive fifth game of the championship series;

Whereas the Ottawa Senators proved worthy opponents and should be congratulated for a hard-fought Stanley Cup series;

Whereas the Ducks' win marked their first Stanley Cup title in franchise history;

Whereas the Ducks' win marked the first National Hockey League sports championship won by a team from the State of California;

Whereas owners Henry and Susan Samueli and general manager Brian Burke have created a model franchise, assembling a team that rose from an unstable past to the pinnacle of its sport today;

Whereas the Ducks were ably led by head coach Randy Carlyle, and assistant coaches Newell Brown and Dave Farrish;

Whereas Ducks team members Francois Beauchemin, Ilya Bryzgalov, Sebastien Caron, Ryan Carter, Joe DiPenta, Ryan Getzlaf, Jean-Sebastien Giguere, Mark Hartigan,

Kent Huskins, Chris Kunitz, Ric Jackman, Todd Marchant, Brad May, Andy McDonald, Drew Miller, Travis Moen, Joe Motzko, Scott Niedermayer, Rob Niedermayer, Sean O'Donnell, Samuel Pahlsson, George Parros, Dustin Penner, Corey Perry, Chris Pronger, Aaron Rome, Teemu Selanne, Ryan Shannon, and Shawn Thornton, are all worthy of praise and admiration for their contributions to the resilient championship team;

Whereas Scott Niedermayer, the Ducks' team captain and a 33-year old veteran, was awarded the Conn Smythe Trophy as the most valuable player of the National Hockey League post-season;

Whereas the Anaheim Ducks introduced a new future for the National Hockey League, creating new fans of the sport's high level of athleticism and competition;

Whereas the entire Ducks organization has contributed considerably to the community it represents, generously donating time and resources to a variety of charitable and educational programs for children throughout the State of California; and

Whereas Anaheim, and all of California, are proud of the accomplishment and dedication of the Anaheim Ducks organization and fans: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives congratulates the National Hockey League Champions, the Anaheim Ducks, on their victory in the 2007 Stanley Cup Finals.

Attest:

Clerk.