

By Senator Fasano

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Senate Resolution

A resolution commending Paige Railey on winning the 2006 International Sailing Federation Rolex World Sailor of the Year Award.

WHEREAS, the Clearwater Yacht Club has a proud history dating back to 1911 and is one of the original 13 member clubs of the Florida Council of Yacht Clubs, and

WHEREAS, 19-year-old Paige Railey has been sailing with the Clearwater Yacht Club since she was an 8-year-old green fleet sailor, learning to race in Optimist dinghies, and

WHEREAS, ever since the Laser Radial was selected as the women's one-person dinghy equipment for the 2008 Olympic Sailing Competition, Paige has shown amazing success by winning various national and international titles such as the 2005 Laser Radial World Championship title in Brazil and five more top spots at International Sailing Federation Graded events in 2006, and

WHEREAS, the International Sailing Federation World Sailor of the Year Awards, launched in 1994, are recognized as the pinnacle award a sailor can receive in recognition of his or her outstanding achievements by the world of sailing, and

WHEREAS, during presentation of the International Sailing Federation World Sailor of the Year Awards the outstanding achievements of sailors around the world are honored by the world of sailing, and

WHEREAS, two awards, one for a female sailor or crew and one for a male sailor or crew, are presented each year during the International Sailing Federation Annual Conference in November, and

1 WHEREAS, on November 7th, 2006, Paige was selected as
2 the Female World Sailor of the Year for her outstanding
3 sailing accomplishments during the 12 months ending August
4 2nd, 2006, and

5 WHEREAS, Paige is the youngest recipient ever to win
6 the Rolex Sailor of the World Award, and

7 WHEREAS, Paige is the first United States female to
8 ever win the Rolex Sailor of the World Award, and

9 WHEREAS, Paige's goal is to win a gold medal at the
10 Beijing Olympics in 2008, NOW, THEREFORE,

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12 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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14 That Paige Railey is congratulated and commended on
15 winning the 2006 International Sailing Federation Rolex World
16 Sailor of the Year Award.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,
18 with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to Paige
19 Railey as a token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate.

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