

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO
Sixty-first Legislature Second Regular Session - 2012

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2 HONORING AND COMMENDING STEVEN R. APPLETON FOR HIS PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL
3 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE OF IDAHO.

4 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

5 WHEREAS, Steven R. Appleton, a dedicated husband, devoted father,
6 community philanthropist and Chairman and CEO of Micron Technology, Inc.,
7 passed away on February 3, 2012; and

8 WHEREAS, Steve Appleton graduated from Boise State University in 1982,
9 where he excelled in tennis, winning the Big Sky doubles championship his
10 senior year, and received the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1995, the Sil-
11 ver Medallion Award in 2001 and an honorary doctorate from the University in
12 2007; and

13 WHEREAS, in 1983, Steve Appleton went to work for Micron Technology on
14 the production line and quickly rose through the ranks to become CEO, presi-
15 dent and chairman in 1994; and

16 WHEREAS, at the age of 34, Steve Appleton became the youngest CEO and
17 Chairman of a Fortune 500 company; and

18 WHEREAS, in 1999, Steve Appleton established the Micron Foundation,
19 which has donated millions to community, K-12 and higher education needs in
20 the State of Idaho and has grown to become the largest corporate foundation
21 based in Idaho; and

22 WHEREAS, from 2001 to 2004, in an effort to preserve jobs, Steve Apple-
23 ton refused to take a salary until the company was once again profitable; and

24 WHEREAS, Steve Appleton grew Micron Technology into a global company
25 employing more than 23,000 team members worldwide with locations in more
26 than 20 countries in North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East, and
27 yielding annual revenues of \$8.7 billion; and

28 WHEREAS, Steve Appleton maintained the company's corporate headquar-
29 ters in Idaho, ultimately becoming the last United States-based memory chip
30 manufacturer; and

31 WHEREAS, Steve Appleton was an industry leader serving on the Board of
32 Directors of the Semiconductor Industry Association, the World Semiconduc-
33 tor Council and the National Semiconductor Technology Council; and

34 WHEREAS, Steve Appleton was recognized for his professional accom-
35 plishments with the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's Achievement Award
36 in 2005 and the Semiconductor Industry Association Robert N. Noyce award in
37 2011; and

38 WHEREAS, Steve Appleton created thousands of jobs in the Treasure Val-
39 ley and was a prominent and humble donor to countless Idaho charitable and
40 educational institutions; and

41 WHEREAS, Steve Appleton was an accomplished pilot, motocross racer,
42 off-road racer, adventurer and one who embraced all life had to offer.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Ses-
2 sion of the Sixty-first Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and
3 the Senate concurring therein, that the lifetime achievements of Steven R.
4 Appleton, a leader in the community, the State of Idaho and the global mar-
5 ketplace, be recognized, honored and commended.