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House honors retired Yakima's Capitol Theatre CEO Steve Caffery

The Washington State House of Representatives has approved a resolution honoring former Capitol Theatre Chief Executive Officer Steve Caffery.

Caffery, who served as CEO of the nonprofit Capitol Theatre Committee for the past 28 years, retired from the position in February.

Rep. Norm Johnson, author of House Resolution 4618, said Caffery has been an



outstanding leader for Yakima.

"Steve really led the effort to bring back the Capitol Theatre to its former glory where it has become one of the crown jewels of the old-style theatres in the Pacific Northwest. He helped to make it an important part of our local arts community, making it home to the Yakima Symphony Orchestra and community

concerts. And even in recent times where the theatre's finances struggled, he helped to get them back into shape to where the Capitol Theatre is thriving and profitable," said **Johnson, R-Yakima**. "He and his wife, Anne, have not only been great community leaders, but they are good friends who have really made a difference in Yakima."

House Resolution 4618 also notes that "Caffery has been a key player in the economic and cultural development of downtown Yakima, having served as the president of the Yakima Valley Visitors and Convention Bureau and the vice-president of the Yakima Downtown Association."

It goes on to say, "Be it resolved, That the Washington State House of Representatives honor Steve Caffery for his years of dedicated service, his personal and professional integrity, and for making Yakima and the state of Washington a better place to live, work and raise a family."

The measure was adopted March 4.

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