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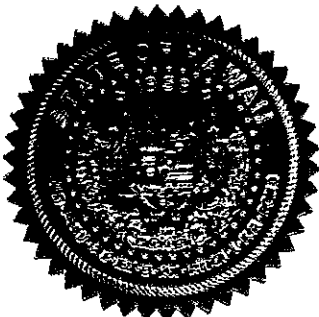
PAYING TRIBUTE TO JIM WELCH 2002 HAWAII SWIMMING HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

The Swimming Hall of Fame was founded in 2002 by the Hawaii Swimming Legacy Project to memorialize Hawaii's rich heritage of water sports and recognize swimmers, divers, and water polo players who have made important contributions to their sports. Its mission is to promote, preserve, and perpetuate the achievements of Hawaii's swimmers, divers, and water polo athletes. In order to commemorate Hawaii athletes' achievements in water sports, volunteers have gathered, preserved, and disseminated oral histories, photographs, and memorabilia about Hawaii's aquatic sports.

JIM WELCH is one of Hawaii's greatest contributors to aquatic sports. Jim was one of the inaugural inductees into the Hawaii Swimming Hall of Fame in 2002. He was honored for his outstanding contributions to the sport of ocean swimming.

Jim is a National Masters Swimming record holder and champion, has been named to the Masters All American Swimming Team seventeen times, and is an accomplished ocean swimmer. Among his many achievements, Jim has captured first place in eleven Waikiki Rough Water Swims.

The Senate of the State of Hawaii pays tribute to JIM WELCH for his 2002 induction to the Hawaii Swimming Hall of Fame, recognizes his many achievements and contributions to the sport of swimming, and extends its warmest aloha and best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.



Lucy M. King

Done this 7th day of December 2005
State Capitol, Honolulu, Hawaii

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