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Dr. Rodolfo Arevalo President Eastern Washington University 214 Showalter Hall Cheney, WA 99004

Dear Dr. Arevalo,

I would like to send our heartfelt thanks to the University, the staff of the Epic Adventure program, and the entire pool staff and all of the lifeguards for supporting Team River Runner Spokane, a national kayaking program for Wounded Warriors/Veterans. As one of the instructors for Team River Runner Spokane and being a local physical therapist and veteran myself, I was very impressed by the aquatics facility at EWU and our welcome inclusion into the program. The facility is truly a gem to have in our community, providing access to my three wheelchair bound and one blind paddler via the mechanical lifts, ramps, and ladders which your pool contains. I'm sure there are many others in the community who have benefitted from this facility as well. The Epic staff lod by Mr. Dustin Semb supported our group in every way. I can not say thank you enough. The lifeguard staff (Jessica, Courtney, Bryan, Annika, Morgan, and possibly others who's names I don't have) were very attentive and supportive to our needs, making sure the lifts were ready for use and keeping a close watch My veterans had never been in a kayak before and have now on our safety. progressed to paddling outdoors on a lake due to the training which the EWU pool has afforded us. We look forward to returning to the pool for the fall and spring sessions.

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Timothy F Ahern

Team River Runner