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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 37

BY LENSING, FOEGE, MASCHER, and MYERS

A Resolution honoring the University of Iowa Football Team and Coach Kirk Ferentz.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Iowa are justifiably proud that the University of Iowa Hawkeyes Football Team finished its regular season as cochampions of the Big Ten Conference and participated in the Orange Bowl of the Bowl Championship Series; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Football Team finished its season with a record of 11 wins and two losses and a perfect eight wins and zero losses in the Big Ten Conference; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Football Team placed a school-record 11 different players on the two First Team All-Big Ten Conference squads, placed five players on the Associated Press All-American Team, was the highest scoring team in the Big Ten Conference, and finished the season ranked eighth nationally; and

WHEREAS, Coach Kirk Ferentz was named the 2002-2003 Associated Press Coach of the Year and the Big Ten Conference Coach of the Year, and Ron Aiken was named NCAA Division I Assistant Football Coach of the Year; and

WHEREAS, senior quarterback Brad Banks was named the Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year, the Associated Press National College Football Player of the Year, and finished second in the voting for the Heisman Trophy, and Dallas Clark was winner of the 2002 John Mackey Award as the nation's top tight end,

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1 and Nate Kaeding was winner of the 2002 Lou Groza
2 Award as the nation's top placekicker, and Eric
3 Steinbach was named the Big Ten Offensive Lineman of
4 the Year; and

5 WHEREAS, it having been made known to the House of
6 Representatives that the University of Iowa's Football
7 Team deserves recognition for all of its
8 accomplishments during the 2002-2003 season; NOW
9 THEREFORE,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
11 That the House of Representatives congratulates the
12 University of Iowa Football Team, Coach Kirk Ferentz,
13 and the coaching staff, on their successful season and
14 thanks them for the honor and recognition they have
15 brought to the University of Iowa and to the State of
16 Iowa; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon adoption, the
18 Chief Clerk of the House shall prepare an official
19 copy of this Resolution for presentation to Coach Kirk
20 Ferentz and the University of Iowa Football Team.

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