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1 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. _____
1 2 BY FORD, JACOBS, RAECKER, ABDUL-SAMAD,
1 3 ALONS, ANDERSON, ARNOLD, BAILEY, BAUDLER, BELL,
1 4 BERRY, BOAL, BUKTA, CHAMBERS, CLUTE, COHOON,
1 5 DANDEKAR, DAVITT, DE BOEF, DEYOE, DOLECHECK, DRAKE,
1 6 FOEGE, FORRISTALL, FREVERT, GASKILL, GAYMAN, GIPP,
1 7 GRANZOW, GRASSLEY, GREINER, HEATON, HEDDENS,
1 8 HOFFMAN, HORBACH, HUNTER, HUSEMAN, HUSER, JACOBY,
1 9 JOCHUM, KAUFMANN, KELLEY, KRESSIG, KUHN, LENSING,
1 10 LUKAN, LYKAM, MASCHER, MAY, MCCARTHY, MERTZ,
1 11 H. MILLER, L. MILLER, MURPHY, OLDSO, D. OLSON,
1 12 R. OLSON, S. OLSON, T. OLSON, PALMER, PAULSEN,
1 13 PETERSEN, PETTENGILL, QUIRK, RANTS, RASMUSSEN,
1 14 RAYHONS, REASONER, REICHERT, ROBERTS, SANDS,
1 15 SCHICKEL, SCHUELLER, SHOMSHOR, SMITH, SODERBERG,
1 16 STAED, STRUYK, SWAIM, D. TAYLOR, T. TAYLOR,
1 17 THOMAS, TJEPKES, TOMENGA, TYMESON, UPMAYER,
1 18 VAN ENGELENHOVEN, VAN FOSSEN, WATTS,
1 19 WENDT, WENTHE, WESSEL-KROESCHELL, WHITAKER,
1 20 WHITEAD, WIENCEK, WINCKLER, WINDSCHITL, WISE,
1 21 WORTHAN, and ZIRKELBACH
1 22 A Resolution to honor Drake University's men's and
1 23 women's basketball teams.
1 24 WHEREAS, in 2007, Drake University's men's
1 25 basketball team, the Bulldogs, fought to its first
1 26 winning season in 20 years, and by 2008 had twice won
1 27 the Big Four Trophy, besting the University of Iowa,
1 28 the University of Northern Iowa, and Iowa State
1 29 University; and
1 30 WHEREAS, the Bulldogs are led by Coach Keno Davis,
2 1 a remarkable young man who came to Drake in 2003 and
2 2 became head coach in 2007, succeeding his own father,
2 3 Dr. Tom Davis; and
2 4 WHEREAS, the Bulldogs secured its first berth in
2 5 the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)
2 6 national tournament since 1971, defeating Illinois
2 7 State, with a first-ever 30-point win, in the Missouri
2 8 Valley Conference championship game; and
2 9 WHEREAS, with that victory in the Missouri Valley
2 10 tournament the Bulldogs, with a record of 28 wins and
2 11 four losses, became one of the top 20 basketball teams
2 12 in the nation; and
2 13 WHEREAS, Bulldog guard Adam Emmenecker, initially a
2 14 walk-on player, was named the winner of the Larry Bird
2 15 Missouri Valley Conference Player of the Year Award
2 16 and, with a 3.97 grade-point average, was named the
2 17 Academic All-American University Division Basketball
2 18 Player of the Year and the Missouri Valley Conference
2 19 Men's Basketball Scholar-Athlete of the Year; and
2 20 WHEREAS, Mr. Emmenecker, along with sophomore
2 21 teammate Josh Young, was a first team All-Missouri
2 22 Valley Conference selection; and
2 23 WHEREAS, in an NCAA Tournament nail-biter, the
2 24 Bulldogs, playing Western Kentucky and forcing the
2 25 game into overtime, showed the skill, the tenacity,
2 26 and the courage that has marked the team throughout
2 27 the season; and
2 28 WHEREAS, at that same time the Drake women's
2 29 basketball team, led by fifth-year head coach Amy
2 30 Stephens, continued its tradition of excellence with
3 1 the Bulldogs' first 20-win season since 2001-2002 and
3 2 by winning its first Missouri Valley Conference
3 3 regular season title since the 2000-2001 season; and
3 4 WHEREAS, senior forward Jill Martin was selected
3 5 four times as the State Farm/Missouri Valley
3 6 Conference Women's Player of the Week, and junior
3 7 guard/forward Lauren Dybing also shared that honor
3 8 once, while senior guard Lindsay Whorton, with a 4.0
3 9 grade-point average and a double major in English and
3 10 education, was selected as the Prairie Farms Missouri
3 11 Valley Conference Women's Basketball Scholar-Athlete
3 12 of the Year; and

3 13 WHEREAS, for the ninth time in school history, and
3 14 the third time under coach Amy Stephens, the Bulldogs
3 15 participated in the 48-team Women's National
3 16 Invitational Tournament (WNIT); and
3 17 WHEREAS, in the first round at the WNIT, led by Ms.
3 18 Martin and Ms. Whorton, the Bulldogs bested Green Bay;
3 19 NOW THEREFORE,
3 20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
3 21 That the House of Representatives honors those
3 22 remarkably talented young men and women who make up
3 23 the 2007=2008 Drake University men's and women's
3 24 basketball teams and congratulates them for incredible
3 25 seasons that have elevated the Bulldogs to rank among
3 26 the best teams in the nation, with the hope for
3 27 continued greatness in the future.
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