

Senate Resolution 31 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 31

BY COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

(SUCCESSOR TO LSB 2626SC)

1 A Resolution honoring the Morningside College women's
2 basketball team.

3 WHEREAS, the Morningside College women's basketball
4 team, the Mustangs, are national champions once again,
5 winning the National Association of Intercollegiate
6 Athletics (NAIA) Division II Women's Basketball
7 National Championship for the fourth time; and

8 WHEREAS, the Morningside Mustangs held the top spot
9 on each of the 11 regular season polls and ended the
10 season with 37 wins and 1 loss; and

11 WHEREAS, Morningside never led in the first half
12 of the championship game, but persevered to turn the
13 contest around in the final seconds, breaking a 57-57
14 tie when Lexi Ackerman was fouled and, with two seconds
15 remaining, sank two free throws for a 59-57 victory,
16 making this the closest winning margin in NAIA Division
17 II Championship game history; and

18 WHEREAS, the Morningside Mustangs played the
19 championship game without the team's leading scorer
20 and rebounder, senior forward Ashlynn Muhl, who
21 underwent surgery one day prior to the start of the
22 tournament; and

23 WHEREAS, teammates Jessica Tietz, Jordyn
24 Wollenburg, and Allison Bachman were respectively
25 named the tournament's most valuable player, given
26 the tournament's hustle award, and named to the
27 all-tournament second team; and

1 WHEREAS, Coach Jamie Sale, named 2015 Division II
2 Coach of the Year, has accumulated an enviable record
3 during his 13 years at Morningside, including by taking
4 the Mustangs to NAIA II national championships in 2004,
5 2005, and 2009, as well; NOW THEREFORE,
6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate
7 congratulates Coach Jamie Sale, the other members of
8 the Mustangs coaching staff, and the members of the
9 2014-2015 Morningside Mustangs women's basketball team
10 for a thrilling season that culminated in the NAIA
11 Division II Women's Basketball National Championship.