Senate Resolution 16 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 16

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1 A Resolution congratulating the Grand View University

2   Vikings wrestling team on winning the National

3   Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Wrestling

4   National Championship for the sixth consecutive

5   year.

6   WHEREAS, on March 4, 2017, the Grand View Vikings

7 wrestling team won the National Association of

8 Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Wrestling National

9 Championship for the sixth consecutive year, becoming

10 the first team in NAIA wrestling history to win six

11 consecutive national titles; and

12   WHEREAS, the Vikings are only the fourth program

13 in collegiate wrestling history to win six or more

14 consecutive national titles; and

15   WHEREAS, the Vikings finished with a total score

16 of 234.5 team points, setting an all-time NAIA team

17 scoring record and breaking the previous record of 210

18 team points set by the Vikings last year, a full 160

19 points ahead of the second place team; and

20   WHEREAS, five Viking wrestlers were crowned national

21 champions in 10 possible weight classes, including

22 Jacob Colon at 133 pounds, Josh Wenger at 141 pounds,

23 Grant Henderson at 165 pounds, Lawton Benna at 174

24 pounds, and Evan Hansen at 197 pounds; and

25   WHEREAS, all 12 of the Vikings' qualifiers earned

26 All-American status and finished in fifth place or

27 better on the podium; and

28   WHEREAS, Coach Nick Mitchell was named NAIA National
1 Coach of the Year in 2012, 2014, 2015, and 2016, in
2 addition to being named Regional Coach of the Year five
3 times; NOW THEREFORE,
4   BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate
5 congratulates Coach Mitchell and all the members of
6 the Grand View University Vikings wrestling team on
7 winning the National Association of Intercollegiate
8 Athletics Wrestling National Championship for the sixth
9 consecutive year.