

House Resolution 7 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 7

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1 A Resolution urging the Iowa High School Girls Athletic
2 Union to sanction girls wrestling as a high school
3 sport.

4 WHEREAS, Iowa has a robust history and unrivaled
5 passion for wrestling as a high school sport; and

6 WHEREAS, the number of participants in high school
7 girls wrestling in this state has grown tenfold in the
8 last five years; and

9 WHEREAS, the third and fourth girls in Iowa history
10 qualified for the state wrestling tournament in
11 2021; and

12 WHEREAS, 457 girls from over 100 schools competed
13 in the third annual Iowa girls state wrestling
14 championships in 2021; and

15 WHEREAS, a majority of states in this country
16 sanction girls wrestling as a high school sport; and

17 WHEREAS, participation in sanctioned athletic
18 competition on the high school level can lead to
19 invaluable opportunities to compete and succeed at the
20 collegiate level; and

21 WHEREAS, girls wrestling remains unsanctioned by the
22 Iowa High School Girls Athletic Union as a high school
23 sport in this state; and

24 WHEREAS, girls in this state deserve and have earned
25 the same opportunity to demonstrate their skills on the

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1 mat as boys; NOW THEREFORE,

2 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
3 the Iowa House of Representatives urges the Iowa High
4 School Girls Athletic Union to sanction girls wrestling
5 as a high school sport and to swiftly take all
6 available measures to facilitate such sanctioning; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
8 Resolution be distributed to the executive director of
9 the Iowa High School Girls Athletic Union.