

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 149

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2 BY HEDDENS, WESSEL-KROESCHELL, ALONS, ANDERSON,
3 ARNOLD, BAUDLER, BELL, BERRY, BOAL, BUKTA, CARROLL,
4 CHAMBERS, COHOON, DANDEKAR, DAVITT, DE BOEF, DIX,
5 DOLECHECK, DRAKE, EICHHORN, ELGIN, FALLON, FOEGE,
6 FORD, FREEMAN, FREVERT, GASKILL, GIPP, GRANZOW,
7 GREINER, HEATON, HOFFMAN, HOGG, HORBACH, HUNTER,
8 HUSEMAN, HUSER, HUTTER, JACOBS, JACOBY, JENKINS,
9 JOCHUM, JONES, KAUFMANN, KRESSIG, KUHN, KURTENBACH,
10 LALK, LENSING, LUKAN, LYKAM, MADDOX, MASCHER, MAY,
11 MCCARTHY, MERTZ, MILLER, MURPHY, OLDSON, D. OLSON,
12 R. OLSON, S. OLSON, PAULSEN, PETERSEN, PETTENGILL,
13 QUIRK, RAECKER, RANTS, RASMUSSEN, RAYHONS, REASONER,
14 REICHERT, ROBERTS, SANDS, SCHICKEL, SCHUELLER,
15 SHOMSHOR, SHOULTZ, SMITH, SODERBERG, STRUYK, SWAIM,
16 D. TAYLOR, T. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TJEPKES, TOMENGA,
17 TYMESON, UPMEYER, VAN ENGELENHOVEN, J.K. VAN FOSSEN,
18 J.R. VAN FOSSEN, WATTS, WENDT, WHITAKER, WHITEAD,
19 WILDERDYKE, WINCKLER, and WISE

20 A Resolution to welcome the 2006 Special Olympics USA
21 National Games to Iowa.

22 WHEREAS, the 2006 Special Olympics USA National
23 Games, the first-ever United States national games,
24 will be held July 2 through July 7, 2006, at Iowa
25 State University in Ames, Iowa; and

26 WHEREAS, this major sports event will bring 3,000
27 Special Olympics athletes from across the United
28 States, 2,000 coaches and official delegates, 10,000
29 family members and friends, 8,000 volunteers, and
30 30,000 spectators; and

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1 WHEREAS, the festivities begin July 2, 2006, with
2 the opening ceremonies to be held in Hilton Coliseum,
3 including star-studded entertainment, the Parade of
4 Athletes, and the lighting of the torch; and

5 WHEREAS, a list of events for the 2006 USA National
6 Games includes aquatics, basketball, bocce, bowling,
7 golf, gymnastics, power-lifting, soccer, softball,
8 tennis, track and field, volleyball, and a motor
9 activity training program; and

10 WHEREAS, major sponsors and area businesses will
11 host the "festival village", where attendees can
12 gather information and participate in a variety of
13 activities; and

14 WHEREAS, Iowa has long shown its commitment to the
15 Special Olympics, first by the ongoing and unstinting
16 support of Iowans and Iowa businesses and also by
17 legislative appropriations of over \$1,000,000; NOW
18 THEREFORE,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
20 That the House of Representatives takes great pleasure
21 in welcoming the 2006 Special Olympics USA National
22 Games to the campus of Iowa State University in Ames,
23 Iowa; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of
25 Representatives offers its thanks to those people and
26 organizations that have donated their time, money, and
27 energies toward bringing the first-ever United States
28 national games to Iowa.

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