

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1810

A RESOLUTION congratulating Derby High School athletics and extracurricular activities on their incredibly successful seasons.

WHEREAS, The Derby Panthers football team won the 2013 Kansas 6A State championship with a 28-21 victory over Shawnee Mission East High School on November 30, 2013, in Topeka, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, This championship is the first state title the Derby High School football team has won since 1994; and

WHEREAS, The Panthers, led by Coach Brandon Clark, finished the 2013 football season with a remarkable record of 12-1; and

WHEREAS, The football team's extraordinary season includes many accomplishments, including ranking as the number one scoring offense in 6A with 615 points in 13 games, as well as the number one scoring defense during the season. The varsity starters only allowed eight touchdowns in 13 games. Additionally, 10 players received 6A All-State honors and 14 players were offered college football scholarships; and

WHEREAS, The Panthers have made it to the state semifinals in three of the last four years; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, the baseball and softball teams both were regional champions and placed fourth at the state tournament. The wrestling team was the regional runner-up and placed third at the state tournament. The boys' basketball team was named league champion and placed third at the state tournament. The boys' and girls' tennis teams were both regional runners-up; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, the boys' soccer team was the league champion, regional champion, quarterfinal champion and placed fourth at the state tournament. The marching band was named Grand Champion at the Neewollah Marching Band Competition. The Air Force Junior ROTC earned more top place finishes than ever before; and

WHEREAS, Derby High School athletics and extracurricular activities are off to a great start in 2014, with the boys' basketball team being named league champion for the third year in a row. The girls' bowling team has been named league champion. The boys' bowling team has been named league champion and state runner-up; and team member Noah Brooks was named state champion. The wrestling team was named regional champion and state runner-up; and team member Tanner Smith was named state champion. Finally, the scholars bowl team made it to the state tournament; and

WHEREAS, Derby High School students who participate in athletics and extracurricular activities work hard in school and for their team. The students' dedication to their teams is a point of pride for their families, school and the Derby community: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate Derby High School athletic teams and extracurricular activities on their outstanding seasons. We wish the students and their coaches continued success; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Masterson.

Senate Resolution No. 1810 was sponsored by Senators Masterson, Kerschen and Petersen.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*