

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1733

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the University of Kansas men's basketball team on their 2022 NCAA Division I national championship.

WHEREAS, The University of Kansas captured the 2022 NCAA Division I men's basketball championship on April 4, 2022, at the Superdome in New Orleans, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, KU also captured the NCAA Division I national title in 1952, 1988, and 2008 and the Helms national championship in 1922 and 1923; and

WHEREAS, The University of Kansas' 72-69 victory over the University of North Carolina marks the biggest comeback in NCAA championship game history, with the team overcoming a 16-point deficit; and

WHEREAS, The Jayhawks ended their 34-6 college basketball season as the winningest program in NCAA history with 2,357 all-time wins; and

WHEREAS, Members of the team include: Bobby Pettiford; Joseph Yesufu; Burlington, Kansas, native and Blue Valley Northwest graduate Christian Braun, who was named to the All-Big 12 Second Team; Dajuan Harris, Jr.; Kyle Cuffe, Jr.; Jalen Wilson, who was named to the All-Big 12 Third Team; Remy Martin; Leawood, Kansas, native Chris Teahan; Charlie McCarthy; Dillon Wilhite; Michael Jankovich; Zach Clemence; K. J. Adams, Jr.; Ochai Agbaji; Cam Martin; David McCormack, who was named the Big 12 Scholar-Athlete of the Year with a 3.5 GPA; Mitch Lightfoot; and Jalen Coleman-Lands; and

WHEREAS, Ochai Agbaji, Christian Braun, Dajuan Harris, Jr., Michael Jankovich, Mitch Lightfoot, David McCormack, Chris Teahan and Jalen Wilson were members of the 2019-2020 team that was on track to the championship that was eventually canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and these players brought a combined 973 college games of experience to the 2022 championship game; and

WHEREAS, Junior Ochai Agbaji received NCAA Division I All-American recognition, in addition to being named the Big 12 Player of the Year and NCAA Final Four Most Outstanding Player; and

WHEREAS, Head coach Bill Self became the first University of Kansas coach to win multiple NCAA national titles: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the University of Kansas men's basketball team for their 2022 NCAA Division I national championship and also recognize head coach Bill Self, assistant coach Norm Roberts, assistant coach Kurtis Townsend, assistant coach Jeremy Case, athletic director Travis Goff, University of Kansas chancellor Doug Girod, and every athlete and member of the team for a successful 2022 season; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send 25 enrolled copies of this resolution to University of Kansas Athletic Director Travis Goff, 5 enrolled copies to Senator Masterson and 5 enrolled copies to Senator Sykes.

Senate Resolution No. 1733 was sponsored by Senators Masterson, Sykes, Alley, Baumgardner, Billinger, Bowers, Claeys, Corson, Dietrich, Doll, Erickson, Fagg, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Gossage, Haley, Hawk, Hilderbrand, Holland, Holscher, Kerschen, Kloos, Longbine, McGinn, Olson, Peck, Petersen, Pettey, Pittman, Pyle, Ryckman, Steffen, Straub, Suellentrop, Thompson, Tyson, Ware, Warren and Wilborn.

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.*