

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1855

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Tony Stewart.

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart has raced three times at Kansas Speedway; and

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart has won the Indy Racing League championship in 1997 and the NASCAR championship in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart has finished among NASCAR's Top 10 every year of his career; and

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart was named NASCAR's Rookie of the Year in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart has two poles at Indianapolis—the 1996 Indianapolis 500 and the 2002 Brickyard 400; and

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart has won the USAC's Triple Crown, one of only four drivers to do so, and the first to do it all in just one season; and

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart has won a total of nine driving championships since he began racing competitively in 1979 at the tender age of eight; and

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart's World of Outlaws team driver Danny Lasoski won the series' 2001 championship; and

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart's accomplishments aren't just on the track but they're also on a charitable level. Tony Stewart recently formed the Tony Stewart Foundation and donated \$1 million to Victory Junction Gang Camp; and

WHEREAS, Tony Stewart is a Midwestern boy who has an enormous fan following in Kansas; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend Tony Stewart for his professional and charitable accomplishments; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Tony Stewart, c/o Joe Gibbs Racing, 13415 Reese Blvd. West, Huntersville, NC 28078 and Jeff Boerger, President, Kansas Speedway, 400 Speedway Boulevard, Kansas City, KS 66111.

Senate Resolution No. 1855 was sponsored by Senator Mark S. Gilstrap.

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

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.