

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1852

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the MidAmerica Nazarene University mens basketball team for becoming 2007 NAIA Division II national champions.

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2007, the MidAmerica Nazarene University mens basketball team defeated Mayville State 78-60 to earn their first NAIA Division II national championship at Keeter Gymnasium in Point Lookout, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Members of the team included seniors Matt Clark, Jacob Nellor, Ryan Rundberg and A.K. Wour; juniors Brody Bell, Adam Hepker and Cal Kiburz; sophomores Austin Boots, Danny Hawkins, Jonathan Knipker, Brady Small and Dutch Thomas; and freshmen Brenton Bell, Garrett Smith and Ben Swinger; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the athletes, the team was comprised of head coach Rocky Lamar; assistant coaches Bill Fleming, Doug Rader and Steve Peterson; manager Kristen Hooper; trainer Chad Keller; and Chaplain Jim Edlin; and

WHEREAS, The team's hard work, dedication and determination have resulted in many rewards, including: Winning the Heart of America Athletic Conference Championship and the Heart of America Conference Tournament; being invited to, and making a Final Four appearance at the NAIA Division II Basketball Tournament held at College of the Ozarks in Point Lookout, Missouri, a tournament comprised of the 32 best teams from NAIA Division II from throughout the United States; winning the National Tournament for NAIA Division II; and being crowned NAIA Division II national champions; and

WHEREAS, The MidAmerica Nazarene University mens basketball team finished their 2006-07 season with an impressive record of 34 wins and only 2 losses: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the MidAmerica Nazarene University mens basketball team for being named 2007 NAIA Division II national champions and for completing such an impressive season and extend our best wishes for the team's continued success and happiness in the future.

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide 25 enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Brownlee.

Senate Resolution No. 1852 was sponsored by Senator Karin Brownlee.

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.*