

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6006

A RESOLUTION honoring Jacob Klemz of Washburn University men's cross country team for earning his second All-American award in cross country and other honors during the 2018-2019 season.

WHEREAS, Washburn University student-athlete Jacob Klemz is an inaugural member of Washburn University men's cross country team. The program was established in the 2016-2017 school year; and

WHEREAS, Klemz competed in the NCAA Division II National Cross Country Championship on December 1, 2018, finishing the 10-kilometer course in 29th place, the best in Washburn University's program history; and

WHEREAS, Klemz's performance in the championship earned him his second All-American award in cross country. Klemz claimed his first All-American award in cross country for his performance at the 2017 NCAA Division II National Cross Country Championship; and

WHEREAS, Klemz competed in the NCAA Division II National Cross Country Championship during the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 seasons, finishing in 58th and 32nd places, respectively; and

WHEREAS, On September 17, 2018, Klemz was selected as the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association Division II Men's Athlete of the Week. This is the first time a Washburn University student-athlete has received this prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, On September 18, 2018, Washburn University men's cross country team appeared in the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association Central Region rankings for the first time in program history and remained in the poll for five consecutive weeks; and

WHEREAS, On November 3, 2018, Klemz led the Washburn Ichabods to their highest team finish in program history at the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association (MIAA) Championship. Klemz finished third with an individual time of 25:31.1, the fastest 8-kilometer time in program history, enabling the Washburn Ichabods to finish seventh overall; and

WHEREAS, On November 17, 2018, Klemz received All-Region honors following his performance at the NCAA Central Regional Championship, placing sixth with a time of 30:23.7, beating his own record for the fastest 10-kilometer time in program history; and

WHEREAS, Three times during the 2018-2019 season, Klemz was named MIAA Men's Cross Country Athlete of the Week: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That we honor Jacob Klemz of Washburn University men's cross country team for earning his second All-American award in cross country and other honors during the 2018-2019 season. Jacob Klemz exemplifies what dedication, determination, and hard work can accomplish. We applaud him for his many successes during the 2018-2019 cross country season and wish him continued success and happiness in the future.

House Resolution No. 6006 was sponsored by Representatives Jim Gartner and Annie Kuether.

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

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House