SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1829

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the Andale High School girls basketball team and coaches Mark Kerschen and Tammy Kerschen for winning the 2002 Class 4A State Basketball Championship.

WHEREAS, The Andale High School girls basketball team won the 2002 Kansas State High School Activities Association Class 4A State Basketball Championship with a thrilling 47 to 43 victory over Hayden High School in the state championship game at Wichita's Bicentennial Center on Saturday, March 8, 2002; and

WHEREAS, The Andale High School girls basketball team finished the season with a record of 24 wins and two losses joining Hayden and Chaparral as the only three-time champions in Class 4A; and

WHEREAS, After a shakey start, with eight turnovers in the first six minutes of play, the Andale defense stiffened resulting in a 15 to 15 tie at halftime. Tracey Patry, the team center, finished the game with 19 points and 13 rebounds. The team made 18 of 26 of their free throws, with 14 of them coming in the final quarter; and

WHEREAS, The members of this championship team are Shelly Lies, Dani Eck, Heidi Hein, Kristin Faber, Andrea Sigg, Morgan Liebe, Paige Stump, Tracey Patry, Julie Weber, Ali Steven, Kristina Winter and Amber Hoheisel; the managers are Sara Sigg and Ashley Horsch; and the coaches are Mark Kerschen, head coach, and Tammy Kerschen, assistant coach; and

WHEREAS, The members of this outstanding basketball team have received statewide recognition for their fine sportsmanship and athletic abilities; and

WHEREAS, The success of this team is due to its excellent teamwork, strong competitive spirit and determination to win plus the enthusiastic support of the school's administrators, the faculty, the students, the players' parents and many area citizens: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That the Andale High School girls basketball team and coaches Mark Kerschen and Tammy Kerschen be congratulated and commended for winning the 2002 Kansas State High School Activities Association Class 4A State Basketball Championship; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send 17 enrolled copies of this resolution to Cara Ledy, Principal, Andale High School, 600 West Rush, Andale, Kansas 67001 for presentation to the above players, managers and coaches plus one for the school.

Senate Resolution No. 1829 was sponsored by Senator Nancey Harrington.

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.