

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1839

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the Norton High School boys basketball team and Coach Reusink for winning the 2003 Class 3A State Basketball Championship.

WHEREAS, The Norton High School boys basketball team won the 2003 Kansas State High School Activities Association Class 3A State Basketball Championship with a thrilling 60 to 58 victory over Medicine Lodge High School in the state championship game at the Hutchinson Sports Arena on March 15; and

WHEREAS, The Norton High School "Blue Jays" basketball team finished the season with a record of 22 wins and five losses; and

WHEREAS, The Norton High School team had a long and tough schedule to get to the championship game. They defeated Belleville and Minneapolis, ranked numbers four and five, respectively, in the state in sub-state games. At the state tournament they defeated Cherokee-SE 62 to 53 and number one ranked Riley County 64 to 61 in a double overtime battle; and

WHEREAS, The team members were: Charlie Foley, Kyle Kats, Dan Roeder, Aaron Overlease, Brian Luft, Ryan Maddy, Marc Brooks, Andrew Walter, Terry Petrie, Marc Thiele, Jered Sloan and Michael Newell; the head coach was Doug Reusink and the assistant coaches were Todd Fulton and David Stover; 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 was due to its excellent teamwork, strong competitive spirit and determination to win. The team also had 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 Norton High School boys basketball team and Coach Reusink be congratulated and commended for winning the 2003 Kansas State High School Activities Association Class 3A State Basketball Championship; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send 15 enrolled copies of this resolution to Larry Stull, Principal, Norton High School, 513 W. Wilberforce Street, Norton, Kansas 67654-1298.

Senate Resolution No. 1839 was sponsored by Senator Stan Clark.

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.*