

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1823

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the Olathe South High School girls soccer team.

WHEREAS, The Olathe South High School girls soccer team is the 2003 Class 6A state soccer champion; and

WHEREAS, The Lady Falcons, coached by head coach Will Stoskopf, won the elite MO-KAN tournament early in the season and went on to be undefeated in Sunflower League competition. This team won the distinction of being named champions of the city of Olathe, their league, their region and the state of Kansas. The team finished the season with a record of 19 wins and 1 loss, with the loss being a 2 to 1 loss in double overtime. The team defeated St. Thomas Aquinas 3 to 1 in the state quarter-finals, Emporia 3 to 0 in the state semi-finals and Wichita Northwest 5 to 0 in the state championship game; and

WHEREAS, The team scored 93 goals, allowed only 8 goals against it and recorded 14 shutout games. The team was ranked number 4 nationally by Adidas and the National Soccer Coaches Association of America; and

WHEREAS, The team success was due to a tremendous team effort and included several athletes who won many distinctions. Lauren Heck was named Sunflower League Defensive Player of the Year and was named to the first team for All-Metro and State. Senior Carrie DeFreece was also named to the first team All-State and was an academic All-American. Senior Jenna Hatlestad was named to the second team All-State; and

WHEREAS, Tara Peck achieved the following distinctions: All-American, All-Metro Player of the Year, Sunflower League Offensive Player of the Year and first teams for both All-Metro and All-State teams. Tara was tragically killed in a car accident the first week of her senior year; but her kindness, work ethic and fierce competitiveness continue to motivate the hundreds of friends she touched during her life: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the Olathe South High School girls soccer team for winning the 2003 Class 6A state soccer championship; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide five enrolled copies of this resolution to Mr. Phil Clark, Principal, Olathe South Senior High School, 1640 E. 151st St., Olathe, KS 66062-2851.

Senate Resolution No. 1823 was sponsored by Senator Karin Brownlee.

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.*