

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1739**

**A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the Hutchinson Community College men's basketball team for winning the 2017 National Junior College Athletic Association Division I National Championship.**

**WHEREAS, The Hutchinson Community College men's basketball team won the 2017 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division I National Championship against Eastern Florida State College with an 84-58 victory; and**

**WHEREAS, The Blue Dragons finished the season with 35 wins and only two losses, and won their first men's basketball national championship since 1994 and the third in the school's history; and**

**WHEREAS, Steve Eck is the head basketball coach for the Blue Dragons, who, during his two decades of coaching at the collegiate level, has compiled an incredible career record of 553-97. Coach Eck's staff includes assistant coaches Jay Cyriac and Cortland Carney; and**

**WHEREAS, Members of the team include: Shakur Juiston, who was named Tournament MVP; James Conley; Devonte Bando; Tylar Cotton; Fatir Hines; Samajae Haynes-Jones, who was named to the All-Tournament team; J.J. Rhymes, who was named to the All-Tournament team; Dabon Gill; Sal Nuhu; Roman Young; Kai Mitchell; Randall Douvier; Trent Webster; Nikola Scekic; and Kyle Patrick: Now, therefore,**

***Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the Hutchinson Community College men's basketball team for winning the 2017 National Junior College Athletic Association Division I National Championship. We applaud their incredible accomplishments and wish them future success; and**

***Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate shall send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Berger.**

**Senate Resolution No. 1739 was sponsored by Senator Edward Berger.**

**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.*