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2D SESSION

H. RES. 1500

Congratulating the University of Oklahoma baseball team for winning the
2026 Men's College World Series.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 31, 2026

Mr. COLE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Education and Workforce

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the University of Oklahoma baseball team
for winning the 2026 Men's College World Series.

Whereas, on June 22, 2026, the University of Oklahoma Sooners won their third NCAA men's baseball national championship, defeating the University of North Carolina Tar Heels in the third of three games in the Men's College World Series;

Whereas Skip Johnson led the Sooners to the Men's College World Series Finals for second time in his nine years as Head Coach and was named the 2026 National Coach of the Year by the American Baseball Coaches Association;

Whereas shortstop Jaxon Willits recorded 13 hits in 26 at-bats with seven runs batted in, five doubles, one home run, and scored six runs to win the Men's College World Series Most Outstanding Player;

Whereas Deiten LaChance recorded two home runs in the first game of the Men's College World Series Finals, becoming only the second player to ever do so in a Men's College World Series Finals game;

Whereas the Sooners are the first team to win the national championship while starting a freshman at pitcher for each game during the Men's College World Series Finals: Cord Rager, Xander Mercurius, and Nick Wesloski;

Whereas the unranked Sooners recorded nine wins against nine nationally seeded teams in the postseason to win the national championship, marking an NCAA tournament record;

Whereas, since trailing eight to two in the fourth inning at the Atlanta Regional against the Georgia Institute of Technology, the Sooners outscored their remaining opponents 90 to 28;

Whereas the Sooners recorded 47 home runs in the final 19 games of the season after recording 48 home runs in their first 46 games;

Whereas the University of Oklahoma, founded in 1890, is the state's premier flagship public research university with more than 34,000 students and 20 colleges across its three campuses in Norman, Oklahoma City, and Tulsa; and

Whereas the University of Oklahoma, students, faculty, alumni, and fans worldwide witnessed one of the most historic triumphs in NCAA baseball history: Now, therefore be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) Congratulates the University of Oklahoma

3 Sooners baseball team for winning the 2026 Men's

1 College World Series and securing their third na-
2 tional championship;

3 (2) Recognizes the players, coaches, and staff
4 whose hard work led the Sooners to victory; and

5 (3) Respectfully request that the Clerk of the
6 House of Representatives prepare an official copy of
7 this resolution for presentation to—

8 (A) the president of the University of
9 Oklahoma, Joseph Harroz Jr.;

10 (B) the University of Oklahoma's vice
11 president for intercollegiate athletics programs
12 and director of athletics, Roger Denny; and

13 (C) the head coach of the University of
14 Oklahoma Sooners baseball team, Arthur Ray
15 “Skip” Johnson.

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