

106TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. RES. 23

Congratulating Michael Jordan on the announcement of his retirement from the Chicago Bulls and the National Basketball Association.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 19, 1999

Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. FITZGERALD) submitted the following resolution

JANUARY 20, 1999

Considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

Congratulating Michael Jordan on the announcement of his retirement from the Chicago Bulls and the National Basketball Association.

Whereas Michael Jeffrey Jordan has announced his retirement from basketball after 13 seasons with the Chicago Bulls;

Whereas Michael Jordan helped make the long, hard winters bearable for millions of Chicagoans by leading the Chicago Bulls to 6 National Basketball Association Championships during the past 8 years, earning 5 NBA Most Valuable Player awards, and winning 10 NBA scoring titles;

Whereas Michael Jordan and his Olympic teammates thrilled basketball fans around the world by winning gold medals at the 1984 and 1992 Olympic Games;

Whereas Michael Jordan has demonstrated an unsurpassed level of professionalism during his athletic career and has served as a role model to millions of American children by demonstrating the qualities that mark a true champion: hard work, grace, determination, and commitment to excellence;

Whereas Michael Jordan taught us to have the courage to follow our dreams by striving to play baseball for the Chicago White Sox;

Whereas Michael Jordan demonstrated the importance of pursuing an education by earning a bachelor of arts degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill;

Whereas Michael Jordan continues to contribute to our communities through his support for the James R. Jordan Boys & Girls Club and Family Life Center in Chicago, the Jordan Institute for Families at his alma mater, and the Ronald McDonald Houses of Greenville, Chapel Hill, Durham, and Winston-Salem, North Carolina, for families of seriously ill children who are being treated at nearby hospitals; and

Whereas Michael Jordan will take on new challenges in his life with the same passion and determination that made him the greatest basketball player ever to have lived: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved*, That the Senate—

1           (1) congratulates Michael Jordan on his retire-  
2           ment from the Chicago Bulls and professional bas-  
3           ketball; and

4           (2) expresses its wishes that Michael Jordan  
5           enjoy his life after basketball with his wife, Juanita,  
6           and their 3 children, Jeffrey, Marcus, and Jasmine.

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