

H. Res. 532

In the House of Representatives, U.S.,

October 10, 2002.

Whereas in 2002, the Los Angeles Sparks basketball team won its second consecutive championship title, becoming only the 2nd team in the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) to win multiple championships;

Whereas the Sparks finished the season with a 25 and 7 record and won all 6 of their playoff games, tying the WNBA record;

Whereas team captain, Lisa Leslie, was named Most Valuable Player of both the WNBA All-Star Game and the WNBA finals for the 2nd straight year;

Whereas Mwadi Mabika and Lisa Leslie were named to the first All-WNBA team;

Whereas Nikki Teasley tied her own WNBA record with 11 assists and scored the winning basket in the final game; and

Whereas each player, coach, trainer, and manager dedicated their time and effort to ensuring the Sparks reached the summit of team achievement: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates—

(A) the Los Angeles Sparks for winning the 2002 Women's National Basketball Association championships; and

(B) all of the 16 teams that compose the WNBA for their hard work and dedication to the sport of basketball and for their display of sportsmanship throughout the WNBA season;

(2) recognizes the achievements of all the players, coaches, support staff, and fans who were instrumental in helping the Sparks win the championship; and

(3) directs the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make available enrolled copies of this resolution to the Sparks for appropriate display and to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to each coach and member of the Sparks championship team.

Attest:

Clerk.