

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. RES. 415

Congratulating the 2016 national champions, the Villanova Wildcats, for their win in the 2016 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Basketball Tournament.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 6, 2016

Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. TOOMEY) submitted the following resolution;
which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the 2016 national champions, the Villanova Wildcats, for their win in the 2016 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Basketball Tournament.

Whereas, on April 4, 2016, the Villanova Wildcats defeated the University of North Carolina Tar Heels by a score of 77 to 74 in the final game of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (referred to in this preamble as the "NCAA") Division I Men's Basketball Tournament in Houston, Texas;

Whereas the Villanova Wildcats hold 2 national men's basketball titles for winning NCAA championships in 1985 and 2016;

Whereas junior forward Kris Jenkins scored the last-second, game-winning 3-point shot;

Whereas the Villanova Wildcats shot 58.2 percent from the field during the tournament, the highest percentage since the 64-team bracket was introduced in 1985;

Whereas the Villanova Wildcats had the largest margin of victory in any Final Four game, beating the Oklahoma Sooners by 44 points;

Whereas senior guard Ryan Arcidiacono was named the Most Outstanding Player of the 2016 Final Four, averaging 15.5 points on 73-percent shooting in the 2 final games in Houston and providing the game-winning assist in the championship game;

Whereas Jay Wright was named the Naismith Coach of the Year for the second time;

Whereas during the 2015–2016 season, the Villanova Wildcats finished with a record of 35-5; and

Whereas Villanova University is committed to the ideal of the student athlete and the education of the athletes of Villanova University, as evidenced by the presence of 5 seniors and 3 juniors on the roster of the Villanova Wildcats: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates and honors the Villanova Uni-
 3 versity men’s basketball team and its loyal fans on
 4 the performance of the team in the 2016 National
 5 Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men’s Bas-
 6 ketball Tournament; and

1 (2) recognizes and commends the hard work,
2 dedication, determination, and commitment to excel-
3 lence of the players, parents, families, coaches, and
4 managers of the team.

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