

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. RES. 494

Congratulating the Hoosiers of Indiana University for winning the 2018
Women's National Invitation Tournament.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 26, 2018

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

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the Hoosiers of Indiana University for
winning the 2018 Women's National Invitation Tournament.

Whereas, on March 31, 2018, the Indiana University women's basketball team (referred to in this preamble as the "Hoosiers") defeated the Virginia Tech Hokies by a score of 65–57 in the final game of the Women's National Invitation Tournament (referred to in this preamble as the "WNIT") in Bloomington, Indiana;

Whereas the Hoosiers won their first national postseason championship, and became only the sixth Big Ten school to earn a WNIT championship;

Whereas the Hoosiers hosted a record 13,007 fans in Simon Skjodt Assembly Hall for the WNIT championship game to mark the largest crowd to watch a Big Ten women's basketball game this season, the largest crowd in Indi-

ana University women's basketball history, and the sixth largest crowd in WNIT history;

Whereas the Hoosiers tied a program-record 23 wins for the second straight season, finishing 23–14 overall and 9–7 in the Big Ten Conference;

Whereas the Hoosiers have shined under the leadership of Head Coach Teri Moren and have been supported by assistant coaches and staff including—

- (1) Rhet Wierzba;
- (2) Janese Banks;
- (3) Glenn Box;
- (4) Liz Honegger;
- (5) Briana Bass;
- (6) Erin McKinney;
- (7) Eddie Praley; and
- (8) Ashley Williams;

Whereas the full roster of the 2017–2018 WNIT championship Hoosier team includes—

- (1) Tyra Buss;
- (2) Amanda Cahill;
- (3) Grace Withrow;
- (4) Kym Royster;
- (5) Brenna Wise;
- (6) Bre Wickware;
- (7) Bendu Yeaney;
- (8) Keyanna Warthen;
- (9) Linsey Marchese;
- (10) Jaelynn Penn;
- (11) Alexis Johnson; and
- (12) Ali Patberg;

Whereas senior Tyra Buss was named Women's Basketball Coaches Association All-American Honorable Mention

and First Team All-Big Ten, setting 8 school records, including the scoring record for Indiana University with 2,364 points;

Whereas senior Amanda Cahill was named College Sports Information Directors of America Academic All-American and Second Team All-Big Ten, scoring over 1,800 points and racking up 1,100 rebounds during her college career;

Whereas freshman Jaelynn Penn became the first Indiana University freshman to be named to the Big Ten All-Freshman Team; and

Whereas the consistent excellence, both academically and athletically, of the Hoosiers has advanced the sport of women's basketball and inspired countless generations of young women athletes: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates and honors the Indiana Uni-
3 versity women's basketball team and its loyal fans
4 on the performance of the team in the 2018 Wom-
5 en's National Invitation Tournament;

6 (2) recognizes and commends the dedication,
7 determination, and commitment to excellence of the
8 players, parents, families, coaches, and managers of
9 the Indiana University women's basketball team;
10 and

11 (3) respectfully requests that the Secretary of
12 the Senate transmit an enrolled copy of this resolu-
13 tion to—

1 (A) Dr. Michael A. McRobbie, President of
2 Indiana University;

3 (B) Teri Moren, Head Coach of the Indi-
4 ana University women's basketball team; and

5 (C) Fred Glass, Vice President and Direc-
6 tor of Intercollegiate Athletics of Indiana Uni-
7 versity.

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