

not be more pleased to represent Kenyon College in the Eighteenth District of Ohio.

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Again, it is a pleasure for me to be here to honor the Kenyon College Ladies, a distinction earned by the student athletes. The remarkable repeat victories of the team reflect the dedication of each athlete, the leadership of Coach Steen, supportive family and friends and fans.

I extend my congratulations to each of the hard-working competitors on the swimming and diving team, to Coach Steen, and to Kenyon College. I am happy to join with my colleague, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. NEY), my neighbor in Ohio, and all my colleagues in honoring the accomplishments of this team and wish them continued success.

Once again, I strongly support House Resolution 634 and ask my colleagues to join me in support of this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HEFLEY). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TIBERI) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 634.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CONGRATULATING KENYON COLLEGE LORDS FOR WINNING 2004 NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 635) congratulating the Kenyon College Lords swimming and diving team for winning the 2004 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Men's Swimming and Diving National Championship.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 635

Whereas on March 20, 2004, the Kenyon College Lords men's swimming and diving team won the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Men's Swimming and Diving National Championship for the 25th consecutive year with a score of 678.5 points;

Whereas the Lords won 11 of the 20 championship events, including all five relay events for the third consecutive season;

Whereas Head Coach Jim Steen has won 41 NCAA Division III Swimming and Diving National Championships as coach of both the men's and women's swimming and diving teams at Kenyon College;

Whereas the dedication of each swimmer, diver, coach, trainer, and manager of the Lords allowed the swimming and diving team to reach the pinnacle of team achievement;

Whereas the students, alumni, and faculty of Kenyon College and other supporters of

Kenyon College swimming and diving are to be congratulated for their commitment and pride in the Kenyon College swimming and diving program; and

Whereas the 25 consecutive national titles won by the Lords is a record unmatched by any team in any sport in any division of the NCAA and makes the Lords swimming and diving team the most successful sports program in collegiate athletics history: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates the Kenyon College Lords swimming and diving team for winning the 2004 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Men's Swimming and Diving National Championship;

(2) recognizes the achievements of all the swimmers, divers, coaches, trainers, and managers who were instrumental in helping the Kenyon College Lords win the 2004 NCAA Division III Men's Swimming and Diving National Championship; and

(3) recognizes the 25 consecutive NCAA Division III national championships won by the Kenyon College Lords swimming and diving team as an accomplishment unparalleled in any sport in the history of collegiate athletics.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TIBERI) and the gentlewoman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TIBERI).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on House Resolution 635.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. NEY).

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleague for yielding me this time.

Mr. Speaker, I am also very proud to have introduced this second resolution congratulating the Kenyon College Lords swimming and diving team for capturing the 2004 NCAA Division III Swimming and Diving National Championship. You can see this is a great day for Kenyon College with both the female swimmers and the male swimmers, and the same coach, I should note, Jim Steen, who has just done a wonderful job.

This year, the Lords follow in the footsteps of those great swimmers who came before them. Like their predecessors, the Lords once again dominated the swimming and competition, scoring and incredible 678.5 points, while capturing their 25th consecutive national championship.

Some have argued that Kenyon Lords swimming is the greatest dynasty in sports. At the least, the Lords have accomplished something unparalleled in the history of collegiate athletics, a record 25 consecutive men's national championship teen titles, the most by any team in the history of NCAA athletics.

So for the past 25 years now, Kenyon has brought the Division III National title home to Gambier, Ohio. In fact, the last time the Lords lost a national championship, Jimmy Carter was President. Since 1980, Kenyon swimmers have had nearly 140 different people score points, while swimming more than 200 individual and 85 relay titles at the NCAA Division III Nationals. Perhaps even more impressive, are the 1,445 All-America honors as well as the 83 academic All-America awards Lords swimmers have accrued. This is an amazing amount of points.

These accomplishments testify to the hard work and the commitment to excellence the Kenyon Lords embody. But this strong work ethic extends far beyond the swimming pool. Kenyon College's tradition of excellence started long before their national championship streak. Since 1824, when the school was founded by Philander Chase, students have enjoyed its reputation as an environment friendly to those willing to work hard and further their intellect. That is why I think it is important to note that many of these athletes did not attend Kenyon for the sole sake of swimming, rather their choice was twofold: Kenyon boasts one of the best swimming programs in the country, but it is also one of the greatest schools of higher education in the United States. The result is by being a member of the Kenyon community, students enjoy the opportunity to become educated not only in the world of academia, but life as well.

The hard work and dedication displayed by the Kenyon Lords reminds us that, whether or not you want their streak to continue, and for Kenyon's sake let us hope that we do, this year the Lords team made it possible for all of us to celebrate the fact that for a quarter of a century now a small liberal arts school in Ohio has established itself as the benchmark for aspiring athletes in athletic programs all over this country.

I cannot be more pleased to celebrate the Lords accomplishments here today. I am very proud of the Lords, I am very proud of Kenyon College, and I think very fortunate to be able to represent Kenyon College in the Eighteenth District in Ohio.

I want to thank again the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TIBERI) and the gentlewoman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY) for her support.

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise in support of H. Res. 635, a resolution congratulating the Kenyon College Men's swimming and diving team for winning the 2004 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Men's swimming and diving National Championship. This spring, the Kenyon Lords won a record 25th consecutive NCAA division title, the most titles held by any team in any sport in NCAA competition. Imagine that. My colleagues must be so proud over there.

Since 1980, the Kenyon Lords have won 200 individual and 85 relay titles at

NCAA events. I want to congratulate Head Coach Jim Steen, who has been the driving force behind the Lords impressive drive for 25 quests. Not only has Coach Steen won more national NCAA titles than any other coach, but he has also prioritized academics and a strong work ethic for his Lords and Ladies teams.

The Lords have received 1,445 All-America honors, as well as 83 academic All-America awards. They have also won 85 relay team national championships, 54 conference titles, and 13 out of 18 record holders in Division III at NCAA events.

I also want to congratulate Emory and Carnegie Mellon Universities, who finished second and third in the overall team standings.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume, and, in closing, I want to thank again the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. NEY), my colleague from Ohio, for bringing this resolution forward, and the chairman of the full committee, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. BOEHNER).

I too extend my congratulations to each of the hard-working competitors of the swimming and diving team, to Coach Steen again, and to Kenyon College. I am happy to join with my colleagues in honoring the accomplishments of this team and wish them continued success.

I strongly support House Resolution 635, and ask my colleagues to support it as well.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TIBERI) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 635.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMMENDING UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA GOLDEN GOPHERS FOR WINNING 2003-2004 NCAA DIVISION I NATIONAL COLLEGIATE WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 630) commending the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers for winning the 2003-2004 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 630

Whereas on Sunday, March 28, 2004, the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers defeated Harvard University in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship game by a score of 6

to 2, having defeated Dartmouth College by a score of 5 to 1 in the semifinal;

Whereas during the 2003-2004 season, the Gophers won an outstanding 30 out of 36 games, while losing only 4 and tying 2;

Whereas the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers women's ice hockey team is the only women's team at the University to win an NCAA championship;

Whereas sophomores Krissy Wendell, Natalie Darwitz, and Allie Sanchez and juniors Jody Horak and Kelly Stephens were selected for the 2003-2004 NCAA All-Tournament team, and Krissy Wendell was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player;

Whereas sophomore Krissy Wendell was named to the Jofa Women's University Division Ice Hockey All-American first team, and sophomore Natalie Darwitz was named to the Jofa Women's University Division Ice Hockey All-American second team;

Whereas seniors Kelsey Bills, La Toya Clarke, Melissa Coulombe, and Jerilyn Glenn made tremendous contributions to the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers women's ice hockey program;

Whereas the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers women's ice hockey head coach Laura Halldorson has been named the American Hockey Coaches Association's Division I Women's Coach of the Year for the third time since 1998; and

Whereas all of the team's players showed tremendous dedication throughout the season toward their goal of winning the national championship: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) commends the University of Minnesota women's ice hockey team for winning the 2003-2004 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's Ice Hockey Championship;

(2) recognizes the achievements of all the team's players, coaches, and support staff and invites them to the United States Capitol to be honored; and

(3) directs the Clerk of the House of Representatives to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the President of the University of Minnesota.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. KLINE) and the gentlewoman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. KLINE).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on House Resolution 630.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Minnesota?

There was no objection.

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker I rise today in support of House Resolution 630, and I thank my colleague, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. SABO), for bringing this resolution forward.

Mr. Speaker, this resolution recognizes the achievement of the University of Minnesota women's hockey team, the Minnesota Golden Gophers for their NCAA Division I championship. The Golden Gophers championship win marked a triumphant end to a remarkable season, winning 30 of 36

games and becoming the only women's team from the University of Minnesota to win an NCAA championship. The Golden Gophers defeated Harvard University by a score of 6 to 2 in the championship game, after defeating Dartmouth College by a score of 5 to 1 in the semi-final game.

In addition to their team victory, five players received individual recognition: Named to the 2003-2004 NCAA All-Tournament team. Head Coach Laura Halldorson was also honored as "Division I Women's Coach of the Year," receiving this distinction for the third time since 1998.

I extend my congratulations to all of the hard-working players, Coach Halldorson and her staff, the great Gopher fans, and the University of Minnesota. I am happy to join my colleagues in honoring the accomplishments of this team, and I wish them continued success. I ask my colleagues to support this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise in support of H. Res. 630, a resolution congratulating the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers for winning the 2004 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's Ice Hockey National Championship.

In March, the Gophers won their third consecutive national title, defeating the Harvard Crimson 6 to 2. I want to congratulate Shannon Miller, the 2003 American Hockey Coaches Association "Coach of the Year," in leading the Golden Gophers women's ice hockey team to their third national title in just 4 years.

In addition to the titles, Coach Miller holds the top spot among all women's college hockey coaches with a .818 winning percentage.

I also want to congratulate Krissy Wendell, who led the Golden Gophers with a goal and 3 assists and scored a total of 8 points during the national semi-final and championship games. Due to her excellent play, Wendell was named the "outstanding player" of the tournament.

In addition, Wendell's Gopher teammates, Natalie Darwitz, Jody Horak, Allie Sanchez and Kelly Stephens also took home NCAA All-Tournament honors.

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I also want to congratulate the Harvard women's hockey team for their strong performance at the Final Four on Ice this year.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. SABO), an athlete himself.

(Mr. SABO asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SABO. I thank the gentlewoman from California for yielding me this time.

Mr. Speaker, on March 28, 2004, the State of Hockey made history once