

104TH CONGRESS
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S. RES. 142

To congratulate the New Jersey Devils for becoming the 1995 NHL champions and thus winning the Stanley Cup.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 27 (legislative day, JUNE 19), 1995

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

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Whereas on October 5, 1982, the New Jersey Devils played their first National Hockey League game in New Jersey, embarking on a quest for the Stanley Cup which was satisfied 13 years later;

Whereas the Devils epitomize New Jersey pride with their heart, stamina, and drive and thus have become a part of New Jersey culture;

Whereas the New Jersey Devils won 10 games on the road during the Stanley Cup playoffs, thus demolishing the previous record;

Whereas the Devils have implemented an ingenious system known as the “trap” that was designed by head coach

Jacques Lemaire which constantly stifled and frustrated their opponents;

Whereas Conn Smythe trophy winner Claude Lemieux led the league with 13 playoff goals, three of which were game-winners, and goalie Martin Brodeur led the league with a 1.67 goals-against average during the playoffs;

Whereas the New Jersey hockey fans are the best fans in the Nation and deserve commendation for helping build the team into championship caliber and for supporting the Devils during their drive for the Stanley Cup; and

Whereas the New Jersey Devils during the playoffs beat Boston, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and in the finals swept the heavily favored Detroit Red Wings in four games giving the State of New Jersey its first-ever championship for a major league team officially bearing the State's name: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate congratulates the New Jer-
- 2 sey Devils for their outstanding discipline, determination,
- 3 emotion, and ingenuity, in winning the 1995 NHL Stanley
- 4 Cup.

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