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H. RES. 383

Congratulating the University of Maryland for winning the 2002 National Collegiate Athletic Association men's basketball championship.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HOYER (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. WYNN, Mr. EHRLICH, and Mr. CUMMINGS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the University of Maryland for winning the 2002 National Collegiate Athletic Association men's basketball championship.

Whereas on April 1, 2002, the University of Maryland Terrapins won the National Collegiate Athletic Association men's basketball championship;

Whereas the Maryland Terrapins compiled a school record for wins during the 2002 season with 32, their 4th straight season with 25 wins or more;

Whereas the Maryland Terrapins went undefeated at home in the last year of play at historic Cole Field House by achieving a record of 15–0;

Whereas the Maryland Terrapins won their 1st outright Atlantic Coast Conference regular season championship in over 22 years;

Whereas Maryland Terrapins qualified for their 9th consecutive NCAA tournament under Coach Gary Williams and obtained a number 1 seed in the East Region this year, and advanced to their 2nd consecutive Final Four;

Whereas in the NCAA championship game the Maryland Terrapins faced the Indiana University Hoosiers and came away victorious by a score of 64–52;

Whereas the Maryland Terrapins had to beat perennial basketball powerhouses Kentucky, Connecticut, and Kansas before earning the right to play in the championship game;

Whereas the NCAA men's basketball championship was the 1st in Maryland's school history;

Whereas the Maryland Terrapins are 1 of only 5 teams in history to have won national championships in both basketball and football;

Whereas University of Maryland senior Juan Dixon was named the Most Outstanding Player of the tournament, First Team All-American, and Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year;

Whereas University of Maryland senior Lonny Baxter was named the Most Valuable Player in regional play for the 2nd year in a row;

Whereas the entire Maryland Terrapin team, including Earl Badu, Lonny Baxter, Steve Blake, Andre Collins, Juan Dixon, Mike Grinnon, Tahj Holden, Calvin McCall, Byron Mouton, Drew Nicholas, Ryan Randle, and Chris Wilcox, demonstrated the highest level of teamwork, skill,

tenacity, and sportsmanship throughout the entire 2001–2002 season;

Whereas Coach Gary Williams and his coaching staff of Dave Dickerson, Jimmy Pastos, Matt Kovarik, and Director of Basketball Operations Troy Wainwright have built one of the preeminent college basketball programs in the Nation, as demonstrated by this championship win and more than a decade of achievement;

Whereas Coach Gary Williams, a 1968 alumnus of the University of Maryland, led his alma mater to the 2002 National Championship and has compiled a tremendous track record of achievement and success in his more than 30 years in coaching, including 24 years as a head coach; and

Whereas University of Maryland Athletic Director Deborah Yow has played an instrumental role in elevating all of the University’s intercollegiate athletic programs, including, the men’s basketball team and the football team, which under the direction of Head Coach Ralph Friedgen compiled a 10–1 regular season record and earned an invitation to the 2002 Orange Bowl: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) congratulates—

3 (A) the University of Maryland Terrapins
4 for winning the 2002 National Collegiate Ath-
5 letic Association Basketball Championship on
6 April 1, 2002;

7 (B) all of the 65 outstanding teams who
8 participated in the 2002 tournament; and

1 (C) the National Collegiate Athletic Asso-
2 ciation for its continuing excellence in providing
3 a supportive arena for the Nation's college ath-
4 letes to display their talents and sportsmanship;

5 (2) commends the Maryland Terrapins for their
6 outstanding performance during the entire 2002 sea-
7 son and for their commitment to high standards of
8 character, perseverance, and teamwork;

9 (3) recognizes the achievements of the players,
10 coaches, and support staff who were instrumental in
11 helping the Maryland Terrapins win the 2002 cham-
12 pionship; and

13 (4) directs the the Clerk of the House of Rep-
14 resentatives to transmit an enrolled copy of this res-
15 olution to—

16 (A) Dr. C.D. "Dan" Mote, the President
17 of the University of Maryland;

18 (B) Deborah Yow, the Athletic Director at
19 the University of Maryland; and

20 (C) Gary Williams, the head coach of the
21 University of Maryland Terrapins men's basket-
22 ball team.

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