

107TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. RES. 262

Commending the University of Hawaii Warrior Men's Volleyball Team for winning the 2002 National Collegiate Athletic Association Men's Volleyball National Championship.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 7, 2002

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

RESOLUTION

Commending the University of Hawaii Warrior Men's Volleyball Team for winning the 2002 National Collegiate Athletic Association Men's Volleyball National Championship.

Whereas on May 4, 2002, the University of Hawaii Warrior Men's Volleyball Team won the national championship for the first time;

Whereas the University of Hawaii defeated Pepperdine University in 4 games in the championship match, having previously defeated Penn State University in the semifinals;

Whereas this is the first national championship ever for any men's athletic program at the University of Hawaii in 30 years of NCAA Division I competition;

Whereas the victory in the championship game gave Coach Mike Wilton his first career NCAA title and his 200th victory at the University of Hawaii;

Whereas the University of Hawaii Warrior Volleyball fans are the best in the Nation, leading the country in attendance for 7 consecutive seasons;

Whereas 3-time All-American junior outside hitter Costas Theocharidis—

(1) was named the Final Four Most Outstanding Player;

(2) was the 2001 American Volleyball Coaches Association national Player of the Year; and

(3) holds a number of men's volleyball school records;

Whereas 2 University of Hawaii Warrior volleyball players, junior outside hitter Costas Theocharidis and senior middle blocker Dejan Miladinovic, were voted to the American Volleyball Coaches Association All-American first team;

Whereas the Hawaii team is representative of Hawaii's celebrated cultural diversity, with players from Hawaii, the United States mainland, Guam, Puerto Rico, Canada, Cuba, Greece, Israel, and Serbia; and

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

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) commends the University of Hawaii Warrior

3 Men's Volleyball Team for winning the 2002 NCAA

4 Men's Volleyball National Championship;

1 (2) recognizes the achievements of all the
2 team's players, coaches, and support staff, and in-
3 vites them to the United States Capitol to be hon-
4 ored;

5 (3) requests that the President—

6 (A) recognize the achievements of the Uni-
7 versity of Hawaii men's volleyball team; and

8 (B) invite the team to the White House for
9 an appropriate ceremony honoring a national
10 championship team; and

11 (4) directs the Secretary of the Senate to—

12 (A) make available enrolled copies of this
13 resolution to the University of Hawaii for ap-
14 propriate display; and

15 (B) transmit an enrolled copy of this reso-
16 lution to every coach and member of the 2002
17 NCAA Men's Volleyball National Championship
18 Team.

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