

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. RES. 514

Congratulating the Boston College men's ice hockey team on winning the 2008 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I National Ice Hockey Championship.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 15, 2008

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

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the Boston College men's ice hockey team on winning the 2008 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I National Ice Hockey Championship.

Whereas, on Saturday, April 12, 2008, the Boston College men's ice hockey team (referred to in this preamble as the "Eagles") won the 2008 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I National Ice Hockey Championship by defeating the University of Notre Dame men's ice hockey team by the score of 4 to 1 in the final game of the Frozen Four;

Whereas the University of Notre Dame men's ice hockey team deserves great respect for reaching the Frozen Four for the first time in the team's history and then advancing to the National Championship game;

Whereas the victory for Boston College marked the Eagles' third national hockey championship, after the team's first championship win in 1949 and its second championship win in 2001;

Whereas the Eagles earned the number 1 seed in the NCAA hockey tournament with an impressive overall record of 24 wins, 11 losses, and 8 ties during the 2007–2008 season;

Whereas the Eagles were led by junior Nathan Gerbe, the Nation's leading scorer in men's college ice hockey, who came in second for the Hobey Baker Memorial Award, with 35 goals and 32 assists during the season;

Whereas the Eagles have made the National Championship game in each of the past 3 years, demonstrating extraordinary teamwork and dedication;

Whereas the remarkable 2007–2008 season also included a memorable victory for the Eagles in the historic Beanpot Championship in February 2008, earning Boston College its 14th Beanpot Championship;

Whereas Boston College "Super Fans" traveled great distances all year and gave the Eagles strong support throughout their championship season; and

Whereas Boston College and its student athletes are well known for their commitment to both athletic and academic excellence, ranking sixth nationally among NCAA Division I schools in the graduation rate of student athletes: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates—

1 (A) the Boston College men’s ice hockey
2 team for winning the 2008 National Collegiate
3 Athletic Association Division I National Ice
4 Hockey Championship; and

5 (B) the players, coaching staff, faculty and
6 staff of the university, student body, and fans
7 whose determination, strong work ethic, drive,
8 and support made the 2007–2008 championship
9 season possible;

10 (2) congratulates the University of Notre Dame
11 men’s ice hockey team for its success in the 2007–
12 2008 season and for reaching the Frozen Four for
13 the first time in the team’s history; and

14 (3) directs the Secretary of the Senate to trans-
15 mit an enrolled copy of this resolution to—

16 (A) Boston College President Father Wil-
17 liam P. Leahy, S.J.;

18 (B) Boston College Athletic Director Gene
19 DeFilippo; and

20 (C) Boston College Head Coach Jerry
21 York.

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