

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 210

Congratulating the Louisiana State University Fighting Tigers women’s basketball team for winning the 2023 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women’s Basketball National Championship.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 11, 2023

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

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the Louisiana State University Fighting Tigers women’s basketball team for winning the 2023 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women’s Basketball National Championship.

Whereas, on Sunday, April 2, 2023, the Louisiana State University (referred to in this preamble as “LSU”) Fighting Tigers women’s basketball team won the 2023 National Collegiate Athletic Association (referred to in this preamble as “NCAA”) Division I Women’s Basketball National Championship (referred to in this preamble as the “national championship”), defeating the University of Iowa Hawkeyes by a score of 102 to 85;

Whereas the LSU Fighting Tigers won their first NCAA national championship in LSU history, with 9 freshman or transfer players playing in their first season for the team;

Whereas during the national championship game—

(1) the LSU Fighting Tigers scored 102 points, becoming the first team to score more than 100 points in a national championship game;

(2) Jasmine Carson scored 21 points in the first 20 minutes to open up a 17 point lead;

(3) Alexis Morris, the only starter for the LSU Fighting Tigers returning from the 2021–2022 season, scored 21 points and a game-high 9 assists; and

(4) LaDazhia Williams scored 20 points, along with 5 rebounds and 3 steals;

Whereas head coach Kim Mulkey became the third coach with 4 or more national championships in NCAA Division I women’s college basketball history, and the first to win a championship as a head coach of multiple programs;

Whereas associate head coach Bob Starkey, assistant coach Daphne Mitchell, and assistant coach Gary Redus II deserve recognition for their historic accomplishment;

Whereas the LSU Fighting Tigers finished the season with 34 wins and 2 losses, with 15 wins and 1 loss in the Southeastern Conference (referred to in this preamble as “SEC”);

Whereas 4 LSU Fighting Tigers players earned All-SEC Season honors, including—

(1) Angel Reese, First Team All-SEC and SEC All-Defensive Team;

(2) Alexis Morris, First Team All-SEC;

(3) Sa’Myah Smith, SEC All-Freshman Team; and

(4) Flau'Jae Johnson, SEC All-Freshman Team, and was named SEC Freshmen of the Year; and

Whereas Angel Reese was named most outstanding player of the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Tournament Final Four and set the record for most double-doubles in a single season, with 34: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates the Louisiana State Univer-
3 sity Fighting Tigers for winning the 2023 National
4 Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Women's
5 Basketball National Championship;

6 (2) recognizes the many achievements of the
7 coaches, players, and staff of the Louisiana State
8 University women's basketball team;

9 (3) recognizes the fans and the entire State of
10 Louisiana for their dedication and support; and

11 (4) respectfully requests that the Secretary of
12 the Senate transmit an enrolled copy of this resolu-
13 tion to—

14 (A) the head coach of the Louisiana State
15 University women's basketball team, Kim
16 Mulkey;

17 (B) the president of Louisiana State Uni-
18 versity, William F. Tate IV; and

1 (C) the athletic director of Louisiana State
2 University, Scott Woodward.

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