

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 43rd Legislature (1991)

HOUSE

RESOLUTION NO. 1004

BY: LARASON

AS INTRODUCED

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND PRAISING THE OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY CHIEFS MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM FOR CAPTURING THE 1991 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP; AND DIRECTING DISTRIBUTION.

WHEREAS, Oklahoma City University has long been a leader in the athletic arena as well as in the academic community; and

WHEREAS, one of that proud university's longest traditions is that of basketball excellence; and

WHEREAS, in the first year of Head Coach Darrell Johnson, a new, prominent chapter was added to that tradition of excellence; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, March 18, 1991, at Kansas City's Kemper Arena, the Oklahoma City University Chiefs Men's Basketball Team convincingly won the 1991 NAIA Basketball Championship before a national television audience on ESPN, winning their fifth game in six days; and

WHEREAS, in route to this impressive achievement, the Oklahoma City University Chiefs compiled an amazing 35-3 record, including 16 straight victories, the NAIA District Nine Championship, the Wild, Wild West Classic Championship, and the Bud Light Incarnate World Classic Championship; and

WHEREAS, Darrell Johnson was honored for his astonishing performance as first year coach of the Chiefs with the NAIA District Nine Coach of the Year award; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma House of Representatives is honored to praise each person who made this achievement possible, including: Coach Darrell Johnson; Assistant Coach Win Case; players Eric Manuel, a first-team NAIA All-American and Most Valuable Player of the NAIA Tournament; March Chambers, honorable mention All-American; Tony Terrell, honorable mention NAIA District Nine team; Mike McCoy, honorable mention NAIA District Nine team; Gary Beathard; Terrance Watson; Tim Griffin; Mark Sinor; Braun Brown; Michael Berry; James Ford; Fred McCray; Donald Williams; Darrin Terry; Brian DeBose; and manager Todd Eliert.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 43RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma City University Chiefs Men's Basketball Team be hereby commended and praised for bringing glory and honor to the State of Oklahoma by capturing the 1991 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Basketball Championship.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Dr. Jerald C. Walker, president, Oklahoma City University; Dr. Joseph H. Sahmaunt, athletic director, Oklahoma City University; Oklahoma City University Chiefs Coach Darrell Johnson; and Mr. Chris Wyche, associate athletic director for communications and development, Oklahoma City University.

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