

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 127

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A Resolution commending The University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane women's basketball team for their record of achievement; congratulating them for their winning season, conference championship, and selection to play in the NCAA women's basketball tournament; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, The University of Tulsa is celebrating its tenth season of women's basketball since relaunching the program in 1996-97. Tulsa Golden Hurricane Head Coach, Charlene Thomas-Swinson, is in her first year in that position but has a background rich in experience; and

WHEREAS, The University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane women's basketball team completed their first twenty-win season with a 26-6 record and won the Conference USA championship by defeating second-seeded Rice, 55-52. They won a school record nine straight games and 14 out of 15 games at the conclusion of the Conference USA Tournament; and

WHEREAS, The University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane women's basketball team won their first regular season and conference tournament title and was selected as twelfth seed in the NCAA women's basketball tournament. This was not only the first time that the women's basketball team was invited to the NCAA tournament, but also the third consecutive year the team advanced to a post-season tournament, having participated in the Women's National Invitation Tournament the past two seasons; and

WHEREAS, The University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane women's basketball team won their first-round NCAA tournament game, 71-61, over fifth-seeded North Carolina State. However, the Golden Hurricane women were defeated by the thirteenth-ranked and fourth-seeded DePaul Blue Demons at Allstate Arena in front of 3,212 fans in the second round of the tournament.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends The University of Tulsa women's basketball team for the achievements of their first twenty-win season, their first Conference USA titles, and their first invitation to play in the NCAA women's basketball tournament.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate congratulates The University of Tulsa women's basketball team for their winning season, their

Conference USA titles, and their selection to play in the NCAA women's basketball tournament.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to The University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane Head Coach, Charlene Thomas-Swinson.

Adopted by the Senate the 26th day of May, 2006.

Presiding Officer of the Senate