

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 51st Legislature (2008)

3 SENATE CONCURRENT  
4 RESOLUTION 92

By: Paddock of the Senate

5 and

6 Thomsen of the House

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8 AS INTRODUCED

9 A Concurrent Resolution congratulating the Ada Metal  
10 Mayhem Team for their selection as Rookie of the Year  
11 at the FIRST Robotics competition; thanking their  
12 sponsors and mentors; and directing distribution.

13 WHEREAS, For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and  
14 Technology (FIRST) was founded by Dean Kamen, inventor of the Segway  
15 personal transporter and other important devices. FIRST has the  
16 mission to inspire young people to be science and technology leaders  
17 by engaging them in exciting mentor-based programs; and

18 WHEREAS, Metal Mayhem, an Ada, Oklahoma, area team, won the  
19 National Rookie All Star Award in its first year to compete in the  
20 FIRST Robotics competition. The team is sponsored by the Chickasaw  
21 Nation and the Pontotoc Technology Center; and

22 WHEREAS, the Metal Mayhem Team was commended for its community  
23 service projects including promoting the Chickasaw language,  
24 painting out graffiti, collecting money for "Tunes 4 the Troops",

1 promoting fitness at Head Start centers, and adopting a local  
2 highway to clean up. Team members documented the community service  
3 projects and took part in one-on-one interviews with judges as part  
4 of the evaluation process; and

5 WHEREAS, Metal Mayhem won their award over 41 other rookie teams  
6 from across the country. More than 340 teams took part in the  
7 national championship. More than 1,500 teams from the United States  
8 and seven other nations competed starting at the regional level.

9 Metal Mayhem received the Regional Rookie All Star Award during the  
10 FIRST Robotics Regional Competition in Oklahoma City, qualifying  
11 them to compete on the national level; and

12 WHEREAS, the team, composed of students from Ada, Byng, Latta,  
13 Stratford, Tishomingo, and Vanoss high schools, had the assistance  
14 of mentors from Ada area schools and businesses. Metal Mayhem  
15 completed a six-week robotics project that involved designing and  
16 building a robot, creating a website, participating in community  
17 service projects, creating team publicity, and competing in the  
18 FIRST Robotics regional and national competitions.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION  
20 OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
21 CONCURRING THEREIN:

22 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature congratulates the Ada Metal  
23 Mayhem Team for their selection as Rookie of the Year at the FIRST  
24 Robotics competition.

1        THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature thanks the sponsors of and  
2 mentors for Metal Mayhem for their contribution in their winning  
3 effort.

4        THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Chickasaw  
5 Nation, Pontotoc Technology Center, and Chickasaw Nation Director of  
6 Education Services Lori Hamilton.

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