

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 3

By: Leftwich, Adelson, Aldridge,
Anderson, Ballenger,
Barrington, Bass, Bingman,
Branan, Brogdon, Brown,
Burrage, Coates, Coffee, Corn,
Crain, Crutchfield, Easley,
Eason McIntyre, Ellis, Ford,
Garrison, Gumm, Halligan,
Ivester, Johnson (Constance),
Johnson (Mike), Jolley,
Justice, Lamb, Laster,
Lerblance, Marlatt, Mazzei,
Myers, Newberry, Nichols,
Paddack, Reynolds, Rice,
Russell, Schulz, Sparks,
Stanislawski, Sweeden, Sykes,
Wilson and Wyrick

A Resolution congratulating Malcolm Jenkins upon his selection as recipient of the 2008 Jim Thorpe Award; wishing him well in future endeavors; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Malcolm Jenkins, the son of W. Lee and Gwendolyn Jenkins, was born December 20, 1987, in Piscataway Township, New Jersey. He attended Piscataway Township High School where he played football and participated in track. On the football field Malcolm Jenkins started as both wide receiver and defensive back on three state championship teams. He was selected for the all-state team his senior year. On the track he won the state title in the 400-meter dash as well as placing third in the 200-meter dash during his junior year. Malcolm Jenkins placed third in the hurdles his senior year at the state meet; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm Jenkins as a freshman at Ohio State University played in ten games and earned his first letter as a true freshman. Against Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl, he made nine tackles giving him a total of 37 tackles for the season; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm Jenkins as a sophomore at Ohio State University started all 13 games and was a first-team All-Big Ten selectee. He made 55 tackles, 40 of them solo, and intercepted four passes; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm Jenkins as a junior at Ohio State University was a First Team Pro Football Weekly All-American, First Team All-Big Ten, Second Team Walter Camp All-American, and a Thorpe Award semi-finalist. He made 47 tackles during the season. He was selected as defensive player of the week and won the Arnie Chonko Award for Outstanding Defensive Back; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm Jenkins as a senior and Captain of the Buckeyes football team at Ohio State University won the 2008 Jim Thorpe Award presented to the nation's best college defensive back. He also was selected to the American Football Coaches' Association (AFCA) All-American Team, the Walter Camp All-American First Team, and the All-Big Ten Conference First Team.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate congratulates Ohio State University Buckeye Malcolm Jenkins upon his selection as recipient of the 2008 Jim Thorpe Award, recognizing him as the nation's best college defensive back.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate wishes Malcolm Jenkins well in all future athletic endeavors.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to 2008 Jim Thorpe Award Winner Malcolm Jenkins of the Ohio State University Buckeyes.

Adopted by the Senate the 5th day of February, 2009.

Presiding Officer of the Senate