

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

HOUSE
RESOLUTION 1036

By: McCall

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution congratulating the University of Oklahoma women's gymnastics team for winning the 2023 National Collegiate Athletic Association's women's gymnastics national title.

WHEREAS, the 2023 University of Oklahoma women's gymnastics team, under the guidance of Head Coach K.J. Kindler, finished with a 28-2 record, was ranked No. 1 the entire season and won the program's sixth national championship by tying its own NCAA finals record with a score of 198.3875; and

WHEREAS, the Sooners defeated No. 2 Florida, No. 5 Utah, and No. 6 LSU to win their second consecutive NCAA championship, third in the last four years and sixth in the last nine years; and

WHEREAS, OU posted a nation-leading 10 scores of at least 198, tying its own NCAA single-season record; and

WHEREAS, Olivia Trautman won the NCAA vault title, becoming the seventh Sooner and first since 2021 to win an individual national championship; and

1 WHEREAS, eight Sooners earned a total of 10 NCAA All-America
2 honors, including five first-team accolades; and

3 WHEREAS, six Sooners earned a total of 10 WCGA regular season
4 All-America honors, with all six earning first-team acclaim and
5 Jordan Bowers joining Maggie Nichols as the only gymnasts in program
6 history to garner five All-America honors during a regular season;
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8 WHEREAS, Meilin Sullivan was named the NCAA Elite 90 Award
9 winner, becoming the fifth Sooner and second OU gymnast to earn the
10 honor; and

11 WHEREAS, the Sooners won their 13th straight NCAA regional title
12 to advance to their 19th consecutive NCAA Championships; and

13 WHEREAS, OU won its 10th conference title in the last 11 years
14 with the highest score in Big 12 Championship history with a
15 198.400; and

16 WHEREAS, six Sooners won a total of eight individual conference
17 championships and claimed every event title and the all-around
18 crown; and

19 WHEREAS, Faith Torrez was honored as Big 12 Newcomer of the
20 Year, Katherine LeVasseur as Big 12 Event Specialist of the Year and
21 Head Coach K.J. Kindler as Big 12 Coach of the Year for the 12th
22 time as a Sooner.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
24 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:
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1 THAT the House of Representatives expresses profound
2 appreciation to Head Coach K.J. Kindler and the 2023 OU women's
3 gymnastics team for the excitement and pride they bring to the
4 University of Oklahoma, the State of Oklahoma and to Sooners
5 everywhere, and for the exemplary manner in which they represented
6 the University of Oklahoma and added to its tradition of excellence.
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