

Resolution

ENROLLED HOUSE

RESOLUTION NO. 1012

By: West (Josh) and Gise

A Resolution congratulating the University of Oklahoma Sooners softball team for winning the 2024 NCAA Women's College World Series.

WHEREAS, the 2024 Oklahoma softball team, under the direction of Head Coach Patty Gasso, swept rival University of Texas in the Women's College World Series Championship Series, to win its fourth consecutive national title; and

WHEREAS, the Sooners, over the 50-year history of the University of Oklahoma softball program, have won eight national championships, including six in the past eight years and seven in the past 11 years; and have competed in 17 Women's College World Series, including 12 of the last 13; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Sooners opened state-of-the-art Love's Field on March 1 and drew an NCAA single-season-record 108,156 fans for an average crowd size of 4,326; and

WHEREAS, a nation-leading five Sooners were named 2024 NFCA All-Americans, including first-teamers Alyssa Brito and Tiare Jennings; and

WHEREAS, the Sooners won their ninth conference tournament crown by claiming the 2024 Big 12 Softball Championship in Oklahoma City, defeating rival Texas in the title game; and

WHEREAS, Coach Gasso earned her 1,500th NCAA Division I win and became the first Big 12 coach in any sport, men's or women's, to record 400 conference victories; and

WHEREAS, OU placed nine student-athletes on the 2024 All-Big 12 teams, including a league-high five on the first team; and

WHEREAS, Oklahoma student-athlete Kinzie Hansen was named 2024 Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year, Ella Parker was recognized as a top-three finalist for 2024 NFCA Division I Freshman of the Year, Alyssa Brito was named CSC Academic All-America Team Member of the Year, and a nation-leading five Sooners were among the 25 finalists for USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year; and

WHEREAS, the OU 2024 senior class closed its career with the winningest four-year stretch in NCAA softball history, recording 235 victories to just 15 losses and going 73-7 in Big 12 Conference play and 41-4 in the NCAA Tournament.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 60TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the House of Representatives expresses profound appreciation to Head Coach Patty Gasso and the 2024 OU softball teams for the excitement and pride they bring to the University of Oklahoma, the State of Oklahoma and to Sooners everywhere, and for the exemplary manner in which they represented the University of Oklahoma and added to its tradition of excellence.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 25th day of March, 2025.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this _____
day of _____, 20 _____, at _____ o'clock _____ M.
By: _____