

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 633

By Stevens

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Bethel University Wildcats for winning the National Collegiate D4 Roller Hockey Championship.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should recognize and honor Tennessee's successful student athletes; and

WHEREAS, the Bethel University D4 in-line hockey squad posted an outstanding 16-3 regular season record as they prepared for the National Collegiate Roller Hockey Championship at Bill Gray's Regional Iceplex in Rochester, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Wildcats won their first three games in the tournament to advance to the Elite Eight, where they crushed Grand Valley State 7-0; and

WHEREAS, in their Final Four matchup, Bethel continued their remarkable success by defeating Michigan State 4-1 to earn a spot in the finals; and

WHEREAS, the Wildcats then emerged victorious against Farmingdale State College by a score of 4-1 to claim the National Collegiate D4 Roller Hockey Championship; and

WHEREAS, Bethel completed this magical championship season with an outstanding 22-3 record and 20 consecutive wins; and

WHEREAS, the Bethel players' superior character and talent were evident in their performance and demeanor both on and off the ice; and

WHEREAS, the Bethel squad's unwavering dedication, perseverance, sacrifice, and commitment were key in winning the National Championship; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Bethel University Wildcats in-line hockey team truly exemplify the traditional spirit of hard work and determination that continues to make the citizens of the Volunteer State its most important asset; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Coach Ryne Potts and the Bethel University Wildcats in-line hockey team for winning the National Collegiate D4 Roller Hockey Championship and extend to them our best wishes for much continued success in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.