

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1036

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the University of Tennessee Lady Vols swim team upon winning the 2020 SEC Swimming and Diving Championship.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those student athletes who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as true champions of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, the members of the University of Tennessee Lady Vols swim team, led by director of swimming and diving Matt Kredich, have proven themselves to be the fiercest of competitors and, as such, deserving of the highest regard; and

WHEREAS, the 2019-2020 Lady Vols swim team distinguished itself by winning the first-ever Southeastern Conference (SEC) swimming title in program history at the 2020 SEC Swimming and Diving Championships on February 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the team earned an overall score of 1,108 points, edging out second-place Florida, to capture the SEC title; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Vols claimed eleven medals, including eight gold, two silver, and one bronze, at the James E. Martin Aquatics Center in Auburn, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the women's 400-yard freestyle relay team clinched the title for the Lady Vols in the final event with a time of 3:12.99, the sixth-best time in school history; and

WHEREAS, senior Erika Brown was named SEC Swimmer of the Meet for the second consecutive year and won the Commissioner's Trophy, which is given to the swimmer who scores the highest number of points at SEC meets, for the second time; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Brown became just the second woman to swim a sub-46-second time in the 100-yard freestyle and broke the American record in the 100-yard butterfly; she earned

gold in the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard butterfly and has won eighteen gold medals in her SEC Championship career; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Lady Vols swim team epitomize all that is good in today's student athletes, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character in all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of these young women not only made possible a championship season but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to pause in their deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Lady Vols swim team for their outstanding performance; 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 the 2019-2020 Lady Vols swim team upon winning the 2020 SEC Swimming and Diving Championship and extend our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.