

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1829

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the 2004 Smith Center High School football team.

WHEREAS, The Smith Center High School football team won a hard-hitting and well coached game to become the 2004 Class 2-1A football champions. The team defeated Pittsburg/St. Mary's-Colgan 34 to 14 at Lewis Field in Hays on November 27. The Smith Center Redmen had a perfect 14 to 0 season, a team record for the greatest number of wins in a season; and

WHEREAS, The Smith Center Redmen did what other teams had not been able to do for some time—defeat the Colgan Panthers, a team which went into the championship game with a 66 game undefeated record and with a series of four consecutive state championships; and

WHEREAS, This was not the first state championship for veteran coach Roger Barta. Twenty-five years ago his team won its first state championship in the same stadium, and several members of that championship team were on hand to cheer on and congratulate this year's team. Coach Barta also coached Smith Center championship teams in Class 3A in 1982, 1986 and 1999 and had state runner-up teams in 1977 and 1999: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the 2004 Smith Center High School football team and head coach Barta for their undefeated season and for being the 2004 State Class 2-1A Champions; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Brian Boeve, Principal, Smith Center High School, P.O. Box 329, Smith Center, KS 66967.

Senate Resolution No. 1829 was sponsored by Senator Janis K. Lee.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*