

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1857

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the Pittsburg State University Department of Nursing.

WHEREAS, The Pittsburg State University (PSU) Department of Nursing received two national awards at the National Student Nurses Association Convention in Baltimore, Maryland, on April 6. The PSU chapter of Kansas Association of Nursing Students received the award for the most creative project for Breakthrough to Nursing and the award for the outstanding Community Health Project Focusing on Older Adults; and

WHEREAS, The Breakthrough to Nursing award was given for visits to grade schools promoting nursing as a profession, for development of a high school career day promoting nursing and for promoting nursing with coloring books for children. Over 30 nursing students were involved in this project; and

WHEREAS, The award for the Community Health Project Focusing on Older Adults was received for conducting a health fair that was provided for the older population in the Pittsburg area. Approximately 20 nursing students participated and over 300 older individuals and family members attended the health fair. The health fair provided information on cancer prevention, tobacco use prevention, fire prevention, traffic safety and stress reduction plus information on Medicare and Medicaid. Health screenings focused on checking blood pressure, glucose, melanoma, depression and memory; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 750 chapters and over 45,000 students are included in the National Student Nurses Association and were eligible to compete for these awards; and

WHEREAS, The Pittsburg State University Department of Nursing offers academic programs and opportunities for research, scholarship, service and leadership. In 2005, PSU baccalaureate graduates scored above state and national norms on the NCLEX-RN examination, and PSU master's program graduates achieved a 100 percent pass rate on national certification examinations: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the Pittsburg State University Department of Nursing upon receiving national recognition for these outstanding outreach projects and for the excellence in the quality of its graduates; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Senator Barone for presentation to the Pittsburg State University Department of Nursing.

Senate Resolution No. 1857 was sponsored by Senator Jim Barone.

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.*