

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6013

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Pittsburg State University head football coach Chuck Broyles.

WHEREAS, The Liberty Mutual Football Coach of the Year award honors coaches who best exemplify excellence in coaching based on their on-field coaching results, sportsmanship and integrity, the academic excellence of their student-athletes and their community commitment; and

WHEREAS, Coach Broyles, who also serves as director of intercollegiate athletics, recently completed his 19th season as head football coach, guiding the Pittsburg State Gorillas to an 11-2 overall record and a 15th appearance in the NCAA Division II national playoffs in 2008; and

WHEREAS, During his successful tenure as Pitt State head football coach, Coach Broyles has achieved a 193-41-2 overall record, averaging more than 10 wins per season; and

WHEREAS, In 1999, Coach Broyles became the first coach since the 1890's to record his 100th coaching victory in fewer than 10 full seasons; and

WHEREAS, Coach Broyles led the Gorillas to the 1991 NCAA Division II National Championship, as well as appearances in the 1992, 1995 and 2004 NCAA Division II National Championship games; and

WHEREAS, Coach Broyles' unfailing coaching excellence is further demonstrated by the fact that the Gorillas have qualified for the NCAA Division II playoffs 15 times during his 19-year tenure; and

WHEREAS, Coach Broyles' sterling leadership continues in the classroom, where he has coached 15 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-Americans since January 2000, leading all schools in Division II and second among all national college football programs; and

WHEREAS, Coach Broyles' charitable contributions have been numerous and wide-ranging, including his significant support for memorial scholarships in the names of his late son Kyle and former Pitt State Gorillas athletic director Tommy Riggs; his organization of the Gorillas' annual YMCA Youth Football Day; his coordination of team involvement in Project Franklin to restore the nearby tornado ravaged community; the annual campus "Big Event" town spring clean-up project; and facilitating his team's visits to local elementary schools to read with students; and

WHEREAS, Coach Broyles exemplifies the characteristics of a coach whose leadership not only makes great football players, but also makes great citizens: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate Coach Chuck Broyles for winning the 2008 NCAA Division II Liberty Mutual Football Coach of the Year award and that we wish him continued success in the future.

House Resolution No. 6013 was sponsored by Representatives Robert Grant and Julie Menghini.

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

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*Speaker of the House.*

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*Chief Clerk of the House.*