

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1870

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the Olathe East High School Girls Cross Country team for winning the 2009 Class 6A Kansas State Cross Country Championship.

WHEREAS, The Olathe East High School Girls Cross Country team won the 2009 Class 6A State Championship at Rim Rock Farm in Lawrence; and

WHEREAS, The Olathe East Running Hawks also won the Blue Valley Invitational, Bishop Miege Invitational, Topeka Seaman Invitational, Haskell University Invitational and Sunflower League and Regional Championships; and

WHEREAS, There is a tradition of excellence with the Cross Country team, placing in the top five teams eight times. They also placed second in the state meet in 2005, won the state title in 2006, and finished third in 2007; and

WHEREAS, The state team roster was: Whitney Ashlock, Kara Bartels, Brenda Ellis, Brooklyn Ellis, Riley Gay, McKenzie Greeley, Brenna McDannold, Darci Miller, Lexi Null, Schyler Slaven, Paige Stein, Natalie Sturd and Jessica Thomas. The head coach was Tony Bozarth and assistant coaches were Glenn Daniels, Shanna Evans and Josie Stiles; and

WHEREAS, Not only did the team demonstrate their excellence in athletics, they also had a team grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and participated in many community service projects. The girls are positive role models for their peers and are enthusiastically supported by the Olathe East Cross Country Parents Booster Club, their classmates, teachers and the community of Olathe, who recognize the hard work and dedication that are necessary to compete in such a difficult and intense high school sport: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend the Olathe East High School Girls Cross Country team for winning the 2009 Class 6A Cross Country State Championship and extend our best wishes for their continued success and happiness; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send 18 enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Brownlee.

Senate Resolution No. 1870 was sponsored by Senators Brownlee, Lynn and Colyer.

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.*