

SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 19

Introduced by: Senators Begalka, Adelstein, Brown, Frerichs, Frysliie, Gray, Haverly, Heineman, Holien, Hunhoff (Jean), Juhnke, Kraus, Krebs, Maher, Novstrup (Al), Olson (Russell), Rhoden, Sutton, Tieszen, and Vehle and Representatives Street, Brunner, Deelstra, Greenfield, Hagggar, Hickey, Jensen, Kirschman, Kloucek, Kopp, Magstadt, Nelson (Stace), Perry, Rausch, Sly, Solum, Tulson, Venner, Wick, and Willadsen

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Congratulating the Deuel High School Girls Gymnastics Team for winning the 2012 State Class A Gymnastics Team Tournament.

WHEREAS, Deuel High School defended their title from the previous year; and

WHEREAS, the Deuel High School Gymnastics Team scored 145.846 points to top the nine team field and break their own State Class A record team score; and

WHEREAS, the State Class A Gymnastics winning teammates who displayed extraordinary unity and team spirit are: Sam Wiekamp, Meaghan Sievers, Alex Stein, Karina Noem, Kaitlyn Plut, Kelly Wollschlager, and Steph Greber; and

WHEREAS, head coach Lynn Gudmundson and assistant coach Joan Niemann directed the team with dedication and determination; and

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2012, in individual competition, freshman Meaghan Sievers won all-around with the top scores in floor exercise and balance beam and second in uneven bars and vault; and

WHEREAS, junior Sam Wiekamp finished second in all-around with a first place finish in uneven bars and vault and second place in floor exercise and balance beam; and

WHEREAS, junior Alex Stein finished seventh in all-around, freshman Kelly Wollschlager



finished 17th in all-around, and freshman Kaitlyn Plut finished 18th in all-around. Plut and Wollschlager attend school at Grant-Deuel, which is in its first year of a cooperative agreement with Deuel School for gymnastics:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-seventh Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the Deuel High School Girls Gymnastics Team be honored for its achievements at the 2012 State Class A Gymnastics Tournament.