HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1027

Introduced by: Representatives Peterson (Sue), Latterell, and Otten (Herman) and Senator Otten (Ernie)

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Congratulating and recognizing Coach Luke Vander Leest of Sioux Falls Christian High School, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, as the 2016 U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) Coach of the Year for Boys High School Cross Country across all classes in the state of South Dakota.

WHEREAS, Coach Vander Leest was recognized in 2016 for coaching the South Dakota Boys Track and Field state record-breaking medley relay team; and

WHEREAS, Coach Vander Leest also coached the 2016 Boys Cross Country State Championship Team; and

WHEREAS, Coach Vander Leest has exhibited leadership and dedication in his sport and has shown incredible effort and dedication in keeping his team strong and focused; and

WHEREAS, Coach Vander Leest's genuine love and concern for each member of his team gives evidence to his character and integrity:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Ninety-Second Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the Legislature commends and honors Coach Luke Vander Leest for his 2016 USTFCCCA South Dakota Boys High School Cross Country Coach of the Year award.

