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Recognizing the outstanding achievement of the St. Louis Rams in winning Super Bowl XXXIV.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 1, 2000

Mr. ASHCROFT (for himself, Mr. BOND, Mr. FITZGERALD, and Mr. DURBIN)
submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the outstanding achievement of the St. Louis Rams in winning Super Bowl XXXIV.

Whereas in 1995 the Los Angeles Rams relocated to St. Louis, Missouri, and became the St. Louis Rams;

Whereas the arrival of the St. Louis Rams ushered in a new era of unity in the St. Louis community fortified by the enthusiasm and energy of the St. Louis Rams' fans and the spirit and drive of the St. Louis Rams organization;

Whereas the St. Louis Rams' fans have incorporated the unifying spirit of the Rams into the community, making the St. Louis area an even better place to live and work;

Whereas the members of the St. Louis Rams' team, including Kurt Warner, Marshall Faulk, and Isaac Bruce, exem-

plify the character, sportsmanship, and integrity—both on and off the field—to which all Americans can aspire;

Whereas the St. Louis Rams’ rallying cry, “Gotta Go To Work”, embodies the great American work ethic, and symbolizes the perseverance, dedication, talent, and motivation of the St. Louis Rams football team and the St. Louis community;

Whereas in the 1999–2000 season, the St. Louis Rams committed themselves to the motto, “Gotta Go To Work”, and achieved record accomplishments:

The Rams won the NFC West divisional title with a 13–3 record;

The Rams posted an undefeated record at home, winning all ten games in the Trans World Dome, the longest home winning streak for the Rams since 1978;

Rams’ quarterback Kurt Warner enjoyed one of the best seasons by a quarterback in NFL history, becoming only the second player to throw 40 or more touchdown passes in a season (41), recording the fifth-best passer rating in league history, completing a league-best 65 percent of his passes, modeling consistency with ten 300-yard games, and setting a new Super Bowl record of 414 passing yards;

The Rams’ offense produced 526 points, the third-highest single regular season total;

Rams’ quarterback Kurt Warner was named the Miller Lite NFL Player of the Year, donating the \$30,000 award to Camp Barnabas, a Missouri-based Christian summer camp for disabled children, and became only the sixth player to capture both the National Football League’s Most Valuable Player and the Super Bowl Most Valuable Player in the same season;

Rams' running back Marshall Faulk, in the regular season, set an all-time record for yards from scrimmage with 2,429, became the second player in NFL history with 1,000 yards rushing and receiving in the same season, had the highest average yards per rush in the league and caught 87 passes, the fourth highest in the NFC;

Rams' wide receiver Isaac Bruce caught 77 passes for 1,165 yards and 12 touchdowns in the regular season and led the Rams in Super Bowl XXXIV with six receptions for 162 yards, including the winning 73-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter;

Rams' left corner back Todd Lyght led the Rams with a regular season of career-high six interceptions, including one touchdown, and has started in 97 straight games, the longest current streak with the team;

Rams' linebacker Mike Jones had four interceptions in the regular season, two of which he returned for touchdowns, and had the game winning tackle on the last play of Super Bowl XXXIV;

Rams' wide receiver Torry Holt set a Super Bowl rookie record with seven catches for 109 yards in Super Bowl XXXIV, including a nine-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter.

Whereas the St. Louis Rams Head Coach Dick Vermeil was named NFL's coach of the year, and is the oldest coach to win a Super Bowl;

Whereas the St. Louis Rams lead the league with 6 players chosen to start in the 2000 Pro Bowl; and

Whereas the St. Louis Rams won Super Bowl XXXIV, defeating the valiant Tennessee Titans 23-16 in the most exciting finish in Super Bowl history: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) commends the unity, loyalty, community
3 spirit, and enthusiasm of the St. Louis Rams fans;

4 (2) applauds the St. Louis Rams for their com-
5 mitment to high standards of character, persever-
6 ance, professionalism, excellence, sportsmanship, and
7 teamwork;

8 (3) praises the St. Louis Rams' players and or-
9 ganization for their commitment to the greater St.
10 Louis, Missouri community through their many
11 charitable activities;

12 (4) congratulates both the St. Louis Rams and
13 the Tennessee Titans for providing football fans with
14 a thrilling Super Bowl played in a sportsmanlike
15 manner;

16 (5) recognizes the achievements of all the play-
17 ers, coaches, and support staff who were instru-
18 mental in helping the St. Louis Rams win Super
19 Bowl XXXIV;

20 (6) commends the St. Louis Rams for their vic-
21 tory in Super Bowl XXXIV on January 30, 2000;
22 and

23 (7) directs the Secretary of the Senate to make
24 available enrolled copies of this resolution to the St.
25 Louis Rams' owners, Georgia Frontiere and Stan

- 1 Kroenke, and to the St. Louis Rams' Head Coach,
- 2 Dick Vermeil.

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