

108TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 59

Congratulating the University of Portland women's soccer team for winning
the 2002 NCAA Division I national championship.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 13, 2003

Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. SMITH) submitted the following resolution;
which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the University of Portland women's soccer
team for winning the 2002 NCAA Division I national
championship.

Whereas, on December 8, 2002, the University of Portland
women's soccer team captured its first ever undisputed
collegiate national soccer championship;

Whereas the 2002 National Collegiate Athletic Association
Division I title is the first championship in any sport for
the University of Portland;

Whereas the University of Portland Pilots' 20-4-1 record in
2002 tied the record for wins in a season in University
of Portland women's soccer history;

Whereas head coach Clive Charles, the University of Portland
director of women's and men's soccer, has successfully

built a nationally recognized collegiate soccer program, leading the University of Portland women's and men's teams to a collective 12 conference championships and 16 NCAA playoff berths and producing players for the United States National and Olympic teams;

Whereas, on the way to the national championship, the Pilots defeated 7 nationally ranked opponents, which included a 2–1 title game triumph over the reigning champion, Santa Clara University;

Whereas the Pilots, the tournament's number 8 seed, now hold the record as the lowest-seeded team to win the national title in the women's national championship 21-year history;

Whereas sophomore Christine Sinclair set an NCAA tournament record with 21 points on 10 goals and 1 assist;

Whereas each player, coach, trainer, and manager dedicated time and effort to ensuring that the Pilots reached the pinnacle of team achievement; and

Whereas the students, alumni, faculty, and supporters of the University of Portland are to be congratulated for their commitment and pride in the Pilots' women's soccer program: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates the University of Portland
3 women's soccer team for winning the 2002 NCAA
4 Division I national championship and recognizes the
5 achievements of all the players, coaches, and support
6 staff who were instrumental in this accomplishment;
7 and

1 (2) directs the Secretary of the Senate to make
2 available copies of this resolution to the University
3 of Portland for appropriate display and to transmit
4 a copy of the resolution to each coach and member
5 of the 2002 University of Portland women's soccer
6 team.

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