

## 115TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# S. RES. 482

Congratulating the Villanova University Wildcats for winning the 2018 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Basketball Tournament.

#### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 24, 2018

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

### **RESOLUTION**

Congratulating the Villanova University Wildcats for winning the 2018 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Basketball Tournament.

Whereas on April 2, 2018, the Villanova University Wildcats (referred to in this preamble as the "Villanova Wildcats") defeated the University of Michigan Wolverines by a score of 79–62 in the final game of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (referred to in this preamble as the "NCAA") Division I Men's Basketball Tournament in San Antonio, Texas;

Whereas the Villanova Wildcats won the NCAA championship in 1985, 2016, and 2018;

- Whereas junior point guard Jalen Brunson was named the National Player of the Year after leading the Villanova Wildcats to a second NCAA championship in 3 seasons;
- Whereas redshirt sophomore guard Donte DiVincenzo was named the Final Four Most Outstanding Player of 2018;
- Whereas the record of Donte DiVincenzo of 31 points, 10-for-15 shooting, 5 rebounds, 3 assists, and 2 blocks will be remembered as one of the greatest individual title game performances in the history of the NCAA tournament;
- Whereas Donte DiVincenzo joins Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Bill Walton, and Jack "Goose" Givens as the only players that have scored 30 points and shot 66 percent or better from the field in an NCAA title game;
- Whereas the Villanova Wildcats made 18 3-point field goals in the national semifinal game against the University of Kansas, setting an NCAA tournament record;

#### Whereas the Villanova Wildcats—

- (1) finished the 2017-2018 season with a record of 36-4;
- (2) have won 4 Big East men's basketball tournament titles; and
  - (3) have won 3 national championships; and
- Whereas Villanova University is committed to the ideal of the student athlete and the education of the athletes of Villanova University, as evidenced by the presence of 2 seniors and 5 juniors on the roster of the Villanova Wildcats: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the Senate—
  - 2 (1) congratulates and honors the Villanova Uni-
  - 3 versity Wildcats men's basketball team on the per-

- formance of the team in the 2018 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Basketball Tournament; and
- 4 (2) recognizes and commends the hard work, 5 dedication, determination, and commitment to excel-6 lence of the players, parents, families, coaches, and 7 managers of the Villanova University Wildcats.

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