

# Resolution

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RESOLUTION NO. 25

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A Resolution congratulating Senator Ron Sharp for being inducted into the Oklahoma Tennis Coaches Hall of Fame; commending his career; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Ron Sharp grew up on the tennis court and was a four-year varsity letterman at Southeastern Oklahoma State University and was selected as Freshman of the Year in 1971; and

WHEREAS, after receiving his teaching degree, he began his 38 year teaching career at Shawnee High School; and

WHEREAS, he coached the Shawnee boys from 1974-1988 and the girls from 1983-1988; and

WHEREAS, Shawnee High School dominated what is now Class 6A tennis throughout his 15-year coaching career; and

WHEREAS, Sharp was honored by the Oklahoma Tennis Coaches Association for his 15 years of leadership and dedication to his tennis teams by being inducted into the Oklahoma Tennis Coaches Hall of Fame on February 10, 2018, in Oklahoma City; and

WHEREAS, playing in the top classification, Sharp's teams accumulated a total of six state championships and eight runner-up titles. The boys' teams won 15 consecutive conference championships while his girls' teams won five consecutive conference championships; and

WHEREAS, Sharp's 15-year coaching record for the boys stands at 303-7, and his girls achieved a 91-8 record during the five years he coached them; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, he had 13 All-American first-team selections and 22 All-American second team selections. He had 51 Oklahoma All-State first team selections and 11 All-State second-team selections; and

WHEREAS, Sharp was selected National High School Tennis Coach of the Year in 1979; All-American Coach in 1987; and as one of the top 50 coaches in the world by the U.S. Professional Tennis Registry and Vaurnet-France International in 1988; and

WHEREAS, he received the Oklahoma Tennis Coach of the Year award 13 out of his 15 years and he received the Conference Coach of the Year for 15 consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, he formed the Oklahoma Tennis Coaches Association along with Bob R. Williams, executive director of the Oklahoma Coaches Association, and served as the organization's first president and later as its treasurer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate congratulates Senator Ron Sharp for being inducted into the 2018 Oklahoma Tennis Coaches Hall of Fame.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends his 15-year reign over the Shawnee High School tennis dynasty.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Senator Ron Sharp.

Adopted by the Senate the 5th day of April, 2018.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this \_\_\_\_\_  
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