SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 16

Introduced by: Senators Begalka, Adelstein, Bradford, Brown, Buhl, Cutler, Frerichs, Fryslie, Garnos, Gray, Hansen (Tom), Haverly, Heineman, Holien, Hundstad, Hunhoff (Jean), Johnston, Kraus, Krebs, Lederman, Maher, Nelson (Tom), Novstrup (Al), Olson (Russell), Peters, Putnam, Rampelberg, Rave, Rhoden, Schlekeway, Sutton, Tidemann, Tieszen, and Vehle and Representatives Rausch, Blake, Bolin, Brunner, Carson, Cronin, Deelstra, Dennert, Dryden, Fargen, Feickert, Feinstein, Gibson, Gosch, Greenfield, Haggar, Hickey, Hoffman, Hubbel, Hunhoff (Bernie), Hunt, Jones, Kirkeby, Kirschman, Kloucek, Kopp, Lucas, Magstadt, Miller, Moser, Munsterman, Nelson (Stace), Novstrup (David), Olson (Betty), Perry, Romkema, Russell, Schaefer, Schrempp, Sigdestad, Sly, Solum, Steele, Street, Stricherz, Tulson, Venner, Verchio, White, Wick, Willadsen, Wink, and Wismer

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Congratulating the Deuel High School Girls Gymnastics Team for winning the State Class A Gymnastics Team Tournament on February 18, 2011.

WHEREAS, Deuel High School had never won a state gymnastics title in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, the Deuel High School Gymnastics Team ended the sixteen year consecutive winning streak of Madison High School with an all-time State Class A record team score of 144.645; and

WHEREAS, the State Class A Gymnastics winning teammates are Jerra Olson, Hailey Schake, Erika Thiewes, Breanna Stoltenburg, Sam Wiekamp, Alex Stein, Karina Noem, and Meaghan Sievers; and

WHEREAS, coach Lynn Gudmundson, assistant coach Joan Niemann, and student managers Mara Niemann, Karli Hintz, and Rachel Thiewes directed the team with dedication and determination; and



WHEREAS, sophomore Sam Wiekamp won all four Class A individual events and All-Around, each with a new all-time high score, and she currently holds sixteen individual titles, a new record in both Class A and Class AA; and

WHEREAS, eighth grader Meaghann Sievers finished second in each of the five categories, eclipsing the previous all-time All-Around score; and

WHEREAS, sophomore Alex Stein was also named to the All-Tourney Team by placing ninth in All-Around:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-sixth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the Deuel High School Girls Gymnastics Team be honored for its achievements at the 2011 State Class A Gymnastics Tournament.