

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 499

Congratulating the University of St. Thomas Tommies baseball team for winning the 2009 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Men's Baseball National Championship.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 3, 2009

Ms. McCOLLUM submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

RESOLUTION

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Whereas the University of St. Thomas Tommies of St. Paul, Minnesota, defeated the College of Wooster Fighting Scots of Wooster, Ohio, 3 to 2, on May 26, 2009, to become the 2009 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III Men's Baseball National Champions;

Whereas this win marks the second national title for the University of St. Thomas in baseball, the first was in 2001;

Whereas this baseball title is the University of St. Thomas's 13th national team championship;

Whereas the University of St. Thomas men’s baseball team finished the 2008–2009 season with a record of 41–13;

Whereas the University of St. Thomas became the third team in the 34 years of Division III baseball championships to win six NCAA playoff elimination games;

Whereas Head Coach Dennis Denning has led the men’s baseball team to four NCAA Division III College World Series and was named the ABCA/Rawlings Division III National Coach of the Year in 2001;

Whereas Matt Olson, a junior out fielder from Anoka, was voted the College World Series’ Most Outstanding Player;

Whereas pitcher Matt Schuld, a junior from Plymouth, is one of only four Division III players named both All-American and Academic All-American for 2009; and

Whereas the University of St. Thomas was founded in 1885 and serves just under 11,000 undergraduate and graduate students making it Minnesota’s largest independent college or university: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) commends the University of St. Thomas
3 baseball team for winning the 2009 National Colle-
4 giate Athletic Association Division III Men’s Base-
5 ball National Championship;

6 (2) recognizes the achievements of the players,
7 coaches, students, and staff whose hard work and
8 dedication helped the University of St. Thomas win
9 the championship; and

1 (3) directs the Clerk of the House of Represent-
2 atives to transmit a copy of this resolution to the
3 University of St. Thomas President Father Dennis
4 Dease, Baseball Coach Dennis Denning, and Ath-
5 letic Director Steve Fritz for appropriate display.

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