

CLERK: Mr. President, with the round of applause for our Clerk, it's kind of taken the wind out of the sail of my resolution here, but what the resolution does is simply honor the Clay Center Wildcats Wrestling Team. This is the fourth state title that they have won in the last year and a half. Last year they were state champions in football, wrestling and track in C2 and Class D. They are a small community. Clay Center happens to be the county seat of Clay County and they have a very successful program at Clay Center and, as I said, this is their fourth state championship, repeating this year as state champion again in wrestling on the Class D level. So, with that, we simply want to congratulate their coach, the wrestlers and their program and the community.

PRESIDENT: You have heard the resolution, all in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 21 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 301.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. LR 302, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, 302 was a resolution introduced by Senator Pirsch. Senator Ashford and Higgins would like to add their name as co-introducers. The resolution is found on page 1130. (Read explanation of LR 302.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Pirsch, please.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Could I have a hammer, Mr. President?

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.)

SENATOR PIRSCH: Yes, we have just honored the wrestling and we have honored basketball and football in the past and I think that this would be appropriate that we really listen to this because we are honoring champions in the academic field. We talk a lot about excellence in education and usually end up putting more newspaper space and more listening to the sports programs, which is fine, I like them, too. But if you will remember, last year was...I came forward with a resolution for the academic decathlon which was a fairly new program. It was held again this year and has been held in Nebraska for the last five years. Omaha Central High School has captured the state title again this year for the fifth consecutive year and will be