

basketball tonight, for their academic achievement. We're really proud of these young people and their coach, Ted Larson, the teacher who has worked with them for so long. They competed and won, the national bicentennial competition on the Constitution and the Bill of Rights and I think they...one of the things I like about it is that it is academic achievement. We love the sports but it's wonderful to know. We hear a lot about that our schools are not good but here's a proof that they are good. The schools are good, the teachers are good and the students are working hard. So, as I say, it's a real privilege to offer this resolution. And we passed out the clippings from the newspaper so you can read about these young people and their teacher. Another thing I really like about this particular team is that they...they tried once before and did not win and they worked really hard again for two years and they did win, which it's an old axiom but if at first you don't succeed, try, try again. In the clippings there was two things that I liked about the interview with the students. One young man said they were really prepared and they could tell when they scored because the judges would nod their heads when they knew the answers. Also, the other young man said you can tell when you're turning off the judges especially when they drop their heads on the desks, which shows they had a sense of humor and were working together to make this wonderful achievement. So I hope you will all read the news stories and maybe some of you have already seen them in the local papers, and vote for LR 157. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lamb, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, Mr. President and members, I would like to add my word of congratulations also to this group of young people and to stress what Senator Crosby has mentioned that this is an academic achievement that we don't often recognize. We recognize basketball and all the other sports and that's great but this is an academic achievement that should be recognized. My wife and I had the privilege the other night at a function of sitting with the parents of one of the team members and they, of course, were understandably proud. We learned much about the rigors that those young people go through in order to compete in this contest. And so it brought forth a greater appreciation to us as to the, really, the magnitude of their achievement to win the national competition. And so I certainly support this resolution.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of LR 157.