

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1026

WHEREAS, The Saint Mary's University women's tennis team achieved great distinction by winning the Heartland Conference championship on April 25, 2015, in Dallas; and

WHEREAS, The Lady Rattlers secured their third consecutive conference title with a 5-1 victory over Saint Edward's University in the conference tournament final, held at Southern Methodist University Tennis Complex; the doubles teams of Jamie Lee Denton and Kaylin Kruseman and Tyra Timm and Felicity Delgado were triumphant in their respective matches, while Mariana Rong, Felicity Delgado, and Jamie Lee Denton tallied singles wins; also contributing to the team's success was Joanie Bryant, Cristina Lopez, and Kerry Wiegand; and

WHEREAS, With the conference championship wrapped up, the Lady Rattlers hosted the South Central Regional tournament as the region's top-seeded team the following week and from there advanced to the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Championships, where they soundly defeated the squad from Northeastern State University in the opening round; the team put up a determined effort in the quarterfinals against Brigham Young University-Hawaii, but they ultimately fell, to snap a 20-match winning streak and bring their season to a close; and

WHEREAS, Aably guided by head coach Lisa Dausin and assistant coaches Ross Dausin, Luis Rovira, and Stephan Poole, Saint Mary's finished the 2014-2015 campaign with an exceptional overall record of 21 wins and just 2 losses; and

WHEREAS, Playing with determination and teamwork, the Lady Rattlers have continued their tradition of excellence on the

tennis court, and they are a source of great pride for the students, alumni, and supporters of Saint Mary's University; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby congratulate the Saint Mary's University women's tennis team on winning the 2015 Heartland Conference championship and extend to the team's players, coaches, and staff sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the team as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 28, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate