Resolution

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 103

By: Branan, Coffee, Adelson, Aldridge, Anderson, Ballenger, Barrington, Bass, Bingman, Brogdon, Brown, Burrage, Coates, Corn, Crain, Crutchfield, Easley, Eason McIntyre, Ellis, Ford, Garrison, Gumm, Halligan, Ivester, Johnson (Constance), Johnson (Mike), Jolley, Justice, Lamb, Laster, Leftwich, Lerblance, Marlatt, Mazzei, Myers, Newberry, Nichols, Paddack, Reynolds, Rice, Russell, Schulz, Sparks, Stanislawski, Sweeden, Sykes, Wilson and Wyrick

A Resolution congratulating the Putnam City High School Pirates boys basketball team for winning the 2010 Class 6A State Basketball Championship; commending their program; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the black and orange Putnam City High School Pirates boys basketball team faced the black and gold Midwest City High School Bombers for the Class 6A State Championship at the Oral Roberts University Mabee Center in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The Pirates prevailed 68-59 to once again claim the gold basketball trophy; and

WHEREAS, according to sports writer Scott Wright, the State 6A championship was probably won at half-time in a game against Choctaw on February 16. After a disappointing first half, Coach A.D. Burtschi called a team meeting and convinced the individual players

that in order to win they had to play as a team. They didn't lose another game thanks to team chemistry; and

WHEREAS, the Pirates began the season after losing their star player and graduating four starters from their championship team. However, in the playoffs, a different team member was the second leading scorer in each game. In the final game their defense forced 27 turnovers and scoring honors were shared; and

WHEREAS, the Putnam City Pirates boys basketball team proved on the court that teamwork wins the gold. The Pirates won together in the face of tough, talented, and determined opposition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate congratulates the Putnam City High School Pirates boys basketball team for winning the 2010 Class 6A State Basketball Championship, their second consecutive gold basketball trophy in two years.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate commends the Putnam City High School boys basketball program for winning a total of five Class 6A State Championships, the second most in all of Oklahoma Class 6A.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Putnam City High School Pirates head boys basketball coach A.D. Burtschi.

Adopted by the Senate the 12th day of April, 2010.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this 13th **day of** April, **20** 10,

at 10:03 **o'clock** A **M.**

By: M. Susan Savage