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7 DEARDEN, HORN, FRAISE, FINK, and SHEARER

8 A Senate Resolution honoring Mr. E. Wayne Cooley upon
9 his retirement as the Executive Secretary of the
10 Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union.

11 WHEREAS, Mr. E. Wayne Cooley has had a long and
12 distinguished career of service to the citizens of the
13 State of Iowa, serving as Executive Secretary of the
14 Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union since 1954; and

15 WHEREAS, under Mr. Cooley's leadership, the Iowa
16 Girls High School Athletic Union has expanded from one
17 interscholastic activity, basketball, to include
18 interscholastic track and field, softball, golf,
19 swimming, tennis, volleyball, and cross country; and

20 WHEREAS, the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union
21 is widely regarded as a leader throughout the United
22 States in girls' interscholastic athletic development;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, in addition to his responsibilities
25 regarding the Union, Mr. Cooley also serves or has
26 served as the Executive Vice President of the Iowa
27 High School Speech Association, as a member of the
28 Drake Relays Executive Committee, as Chairperson of
29 the Iowa Heart Association, as Vice Chairperson of the
30 Iowa Games, and as an appointed member of the United

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1 States Olympic Committee; and

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Cooley has been named to the United
3 States Track and Field Hall of Fame; and

4 WHEREAS, while serving as National President of the
5 United States Track and Field Federation, Mr. Cooley's
6 leadership was instrumental in resolving a two-decade-
7 long conflict over control of the nation's amateur
8 track and field administration, successfully merging
9 the conflicting parties into the Athletic Congress of
10 the United States, a governing body for both national
11 and international amateur track and field; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Cooley coached state championship
13 teams in track and field for two consecutive years --
14 1949 and 1950; NOW THEREFORE,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate pay
16 tribute to Mr. E. Wayne Cooley for his outstanding
17 accomplishments on behalf of, and decades of dedicated
18 service to, the high school students, athletic
19 enthusiasts, and all citizens of the State of Iowa,
20 and upon his retirement, wish him health and happiness
21 in the years ahead; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an official copy of
23 this Resolution be prepared and presented to Mr. E.
24 Wayne Cooley.

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