

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 25

BY LAMBERTI, WARD, LUNDBY, LARSON, DEARDEN,
HORN, McCOY, HATCH, ZAUN, ANGELO, and DVORSKY

A Resolution honoring Iowa athletes Jenna Schrack,
Matt LaRue, Michelle Pettitt, and their coach,
Rob Wagner, for their participation in the Special
Olympics World Winter Games in Nagano, Japan.

WHEREAS, the eighth Special Olympics World Winter
Games were held in Nagano, Japan, from February 26
through March 5, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the event drew some 2,000 athletes from
more than 80 countries; and

WHEREAS, Jenna Schrack of Ankeny, Iowa, competed in
speed skating, winning three silver medals in the 111-
meter, 222-meter, and 333-meter events; and

WHEREAS, Miss Schrack also won the Special Olympics
Iowa Athlete of the Year award in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Matt LaRue of Des Moines, Iowa, competed
in speed skating, winning two silver medals in the
222-meter and 500-meter events, and winning fifth
place in the 333-meter event; and

WHEREAS, Mr. LaRue currently serves on the Special
Olympics Iowa board of directors; and

WHEREAS, Michelle Pettitt of Cedar Rapids, Iowa,
competed in skiing, bringing home the gold in the
giant slalom, winning a silver medal in the downhill
event, and placing fifth in the slalom; and

WHEREAS, Miss Pettitt continues to train for
Special Olympics roller skating events and in June
will resume her participation in Special Olympics

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1 swimming events; and

2 WHEREAS, the Iowa team was ably coached by Rob
3 Wagner of Cedar Rapids; NOW THEREFORE,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate
5 congratulates Iowa's Special Olympians and Coach
6 Wagner for a truly remarkable string of victories and
7 thanks them for the honor and recognition they have
8 brought to the Special Olympics program and to the
9 State of Iowa; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, upon adoption, an
11 official copy of this Resolution be prepared for
12 presentation to Coach Rob Wagner, Jenna Schrack, Matt
13 LaRue, and Michelle Pettitt.

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