

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 148

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 7 BEHN, MILLER, KETTERING, SEYMOUR, ANGELO, MCKINLEY,  
 8 WARD, WIECK, TINSMAN, GASKILL, LAMBERTI, PUTNEY,  
 9 IVERSON, LUNDBY, BOETTGER, ZIEMAN,  
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11 A Resolution to welcome the 2006 Special Olympics USA  
 12 National Games to Iowa.

13 WHEREAS, the 2006 Special Olympics USA National  
 14 Games, the first-ever United States national games,  
 15 will be held July 2 through July 7, 2006, at Iowa  
 16 State University in Ames, Iowa; and

17 WHEREAS, this major sports event will bring 3,000  
 18 Special Olympics athletes from across the United  
 19 States, 2,000 coaches and official delegates, 10,000  
 20 family members and friends, 8,000 volunteers, and  
 21 30,000 spectators; and

22 WHEREAS, the festivities begin July 2, 2006, with  
 23 the opening ceremonies to be held in Hilton Coliseum,  
 24 including star-studded entertainment, the Parade of  
 25 Athletes, and the lighting of the torch; and

26 WHEREAS, a list of events for the 2006 USA National  
 27 Games includes aquatics, basketball, bocce, bowling,  
 28 golf, gymnastics, power-lifting, soccer, softball,  
 29 tennis, track and field, volleyball, and a motor

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1 activity training program; and

2 WHEREAS, major sponsors and area businesses will  
3 host the "festival village", where attendees can  
4 gather information and participate in a variety of  
5 activities; and

6 WHEREAS, Iowa has long shown its commitment to the  
7 Special Olympics, first by the ongoing and unstinting  
8 support of Iowans and Iowa businesses and also by  
9 legislative appropriations of over \$1,000,000; NOW  
10 THEREFORE,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate takes  
12 great pleasure in welcoming the 2006 Special Olympics  
13 USA National Games to the campus of Iowa State  
14 University in Ames, Iowa; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate offers its  
16 thanks to those people and organizations that have  
17 donated their time, money, and energies toward  
18 bringing the first-ever United States national games  
19 to Iowa.

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