

House Resolution No. 711

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State high school athletes who admirably demonstrate the highest standards of sportsmanship, training, and perseverance throughout the competitive season; and

Whereas, Colin Pierce has attained considerable distinction as a senior at Kearney High School, where he has wrestled since his freshman year and attained such career achievements as 107 pins and 144 consecutive wins on his way to an overall record of 165 wins and 9 losses; and

Whereas, on February 16, 2008, Colin Pierce capped his four years as a Kearney Bulldog varsity wrestler by winning the Missouri State High School Activities Association Class 3 state championship for the 130-pound weight class; and

Whereas, taking just 1 minute, 14 seconds to pin Ozark's Ty Loethen, Colin Pierce became only the fourteenth wrestler in Missouri history to win four state wrestling titles; and

Whereas, Colin Pierce took First Place in the 130-pound Class 3 category during his senior and junior years at Kearney High School, the 119-pound title as a sophomore, and the 103-pound title as a freshman; and

Whereas, known for his humility and courtesy, Colin Pierce also is known for not having lost a varsity match-up since his freshman year as a Kearney Bulldog; and

Whereas, Colin Pierce's win in the 130-pound weight division secured the Kearney wrestling team's second top-three finish in the last three years as the Bulldog team garnered 106 points at the 2008 state meet; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative actions in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri student athletes as Colin Pierce at momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the athletic success enjoyed by Colin Pierce as a wrestler and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon taking First Place in Class 3 state competition in the 130-pound weight division; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Colin Pierce.

Offered by _____
Representative Doug Ervin
District No. 35

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 711, adopted February 19, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker