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Referred to:

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1 A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF COACH MIKE  
2 KRZYZEWSKI.

3 Whereas, on January 25, 2015, Coach Mike Krzyzewski earned his 1,000th career  
4 victory against the Red Storm of St. John's University in New York City at Madison Square  
5 Garden; and

6 Whereas, Coach K is the first Division I men's basketball coach to reach 1,000 wins;  
7 and

8 Whereas, after serving in the United States Army, Coach K became an assistant to  
9 Bob Knight at the University of Indiana; and

10 Whereas, from 1975 to 1980, Coach K served as the head coach at his alma mater,  
11 the United States Military Academy at West Point, where, during those five years, his teams  
12 posted a record of 73-59; and

13 Whereas, Coach K accepted the head coach position at Duke University in 1980,  
14 and since that time, has been the foundation of the University's outstanding basketball program;  
15 and

16 Whereas, as head coach of the Blue Devils, Coach K has led his teams to four  
17 national championships (1991, 1992, 2001, and 2010), 12 Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC)  
18 regular season championships, 13 ACC Tournament championships, and 10 consecutive  
19 Top-10 AP Poll finishes between 1997 and 2006; and

20 Whereas, Coach K has coached 28 All-America selections, seven National Players  
21 of the Year, six National Defensive Players of the Year, 49 NBA Draft selections, and 18 NBA  
22 Lottery picks; and

23 Whereas, Coach K is a four-time Olympic gold medal winner, taking top honors in  
24 1984 and 1992 as Team USA's assistant coach, and in 2008 and 2012 as its head coach; and

25 Whereas, Coach K has been named "National Coach of the Year" 12 times, and has  
26 received many other recognitions, including "Sportsman of the Year" by Sports Illustrated in  
27 2011, and "America's Best Coach" by Time magazine and CNN; and

28 Whereas, Coach K is a Hall of Fame coach, having been inducted into the Naismith  
29 Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 2001, Army Sports Hall of Fame in 2009, Chicagoland  
30 Sports Hall of Fame in 2010, and Duke Athletics Hall of Fame in 2011; and

31 Whereas, Coach K is a best-selling author of such books as "The Gold Standard:  
32 Building a World Class Team", "Leading with the Heart", and "Beyond Basketball: Coach K's  
33 Keywords for Success"; and

34 Whereas, Coach K is an influential leader in his community, giving freely of his  
35 time, energy, talents, and financial support to various organizations, including the Emily  
36 Krzyzewski Center, which he and his wife, Mickie, founded to inspire economically



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1 disadvantaged students to dream big, act with character and purpose, strive for academic  
2 excellence, and reach their highest potential as future citizen leaders; and

3       Whereas, Coach K continues to inspire his players and serve as a role model to his  
4 former players, some of whom served or continue to serve on his coaching staff or who have  
5 joined the coaching staff at other universities or professional teams; and

6       Whereas, Coach K is beloved and admired by the Duke University community and  
7 countless others around the world; and

8       Whereas, Coach K's success is a fitting testimonial and memorial to some of Duke  
9 University's former coaches, such as Edmund M. "Eddie" Cameron; and

10       Whereas, Eddie Cameron served as Duke's head basketball coach from 1929 to  
11 1942, achieving a record of 226-99 and winning conference championships in 1938, 1941, and  
12 1942; the head football coach from 1942 to 1945, leading his team to its first Bowl win when  
13 the Blue Devils defeated Alabama in the Sugar Bowl in 1945; the Director of Athletics from  
14 1951 to 1972; and one of the founders of the ACC; and

15       Whereas, Duke's Indoor Stadium was renamed as Cameron Indoor Stadium in honor  
16 of Eddie Cameron; Now, therefore,

17 Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

18       **SECTION 1.** The General Assembly wishes to congratulate Mike Krzyzewski,  
19 head coach of the men's basketball team at Duke University, on his historic achievement of  
20 being the first Division I men's basketball coach to earn 1,000 wins.

21       **SECTION 2.** The General Assembly honors the memory of Edmund M. "Eddie"  
22 Cameron and applauds him for his contributions to Duke University's Athletic Department.

23       **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit a certified copy of this  
24 resolution to Coach Mike Krzyzewski and to the Athletic Department at Duke University.

25       **SECTION 4.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.