

Agenda Item No.

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Office of the President

April 21, 2017

Members, Board of Regents  
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Adoption of a Resolution Honoring the Men's Track and Field Team

I respectfully request the Board of Regents approval of the following resolution honoring the Texas A&M University Men's Track and Field Team.

“WHEREAS, the Texas A&M University Men's Track and Field Team distinguished themselves by winning the 2017 NCAA Indoor Championships by half a point in winning the final event of the meet; and

WHEREAS, the title for the Aggie men served as the first indoor national team title for Texas A&M University and the fifth national team title overall for the men in the past eight years; and

WHEREAS, the Texas A&M University Men's Track and Field Team had an individual NCAA Indoor national champion with Fred Kerley in the 400 meters as he established a school record with a victory in 44.85 seconds; and

WHEREAS, the Texas A&M University men's 4-by-400 Relay Team established an NCAA Indoor meet record of 3 minutes, 2.80 seconds in winning a fourth NCAA Indoor relay title over the past eight years, and produced the top performance of the season with a collegiate record time of 3 minutes, 2.52 seconds; and

WHEREAS, The Texas A&M University Men's Track and Field Team had two NCAA Indoor silver medalists in an individual event with Will Williams (long jump) and Audie Wyatt (pole vault), and an NCAA Indoor bronze medalist with Mylik Kerley (400 meters); and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Pat Henry was named the Men's NCAA Coach of the Year by his peers and is to be highly commended for providing outstanding leadership in guiding the teams to championships and national recognition, and he collected his fifth men's title and ninth overall while in his 13<sup>th</sup> season at Texas A&M University, and now has 36 NCAA championships in his career; and

WHEREAS, seven Texas A&M University athletes were honored with nine All-America first-team honors from NCAA Indoor Championship performances; and

WHEREAS, the Men's team members competing at the NCAA Indoor Championships included Devin Dixon, Robert Grant, Elijah Morrow, Fred Kerley, Mylik Kerley, Richard Rose, Lendon Victor, Will Williams, and Audie Wyatt; and

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WHEREAS, Coach Henry received valuable support from Assistant Coaches Vince Anderson, Alleyne Francique, Juan De La Garza, and Wendel McRaven, as well as Director of Athletics Scott Woodward; and

WHEREAS, the Texas A&M University Track and Field support staff, composed of Director of Operations Jeremy Kenny and volunteer assistant coaching staff including Trent Edgerton, Kurt Henry, Maggie Malone, Aaron Seminski, Erin Simmons and David Wooten, along with support staff including Chris Barttelbort, Shawn Price, Chris Harrell, Saul Luna, Vincent Henderson, Allen Kinley, Vern Banks, Erin Jones, TJ Marcum, Dallas Defoor, Andy Richardson, Brian Jones, Matt Simon, Megan Wallace, Devon Bowie, Theavis Cooper, Alejandra Moreno, Justin Mullinnix, Matthew Golden, Leanne Flores, Andrew Otis, Tristan Ordaz, Michael Patke, and Catie Zapinski, also provided valuable support; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, desire to express hearty congratulations to Head Coach Pat Henry and to everyone associated with the Texas A&M University Men's Track and Field Team for their contributions to Texas A&M University; and, be it, further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be included in the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to Coach Henry, to the assistant coaches and support staff, and to each member of the Texas A&M University Men's Track and Field Team, and to the Archives of Texas A&M University, as a permanent mark of this Board's appreciation and gratitude to all these individuals for a job well done.

ADOPTED, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017."

Respectfully submitted,

Michael K. Young  
President

**Approval Recommended:**

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John Sharp  
Chancellor

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Billy Hamilton  
Executive Vice Chancellor and  
Chief Financial Officer

**Approved for Legal Sufficiency:**

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Ray Bonilla  
General Counsel