## SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1819

A Resolution congratulating and commending Pittsburg State University's Coach Tim Beck for being named the 2011 Liberty Mutual NCAA Division II Football Coach of the Year.

WHEREAS, Coach Tim Beck began his coaching career with Pittsburg State University as a graduate assistant in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Coach Beck has served on the coaching staff of his alma mater for 25 years, including 16 years as offensive coordinator, and was named PSU's 14<sup>th</sup> head football coach in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Coach Beck, in his second year as head coach of the Gorillas, led the team to a 13-1 record, the MIAA Conference Championship and the NCAA Division II National Championship; and

WHEREAS, Coach Beck and his team earned the MIAA Community Engagement Award of Excellence for their program's many civic and charitable activities, including the creation of Coach Beck's "Ladies Night at the Pitt" fundraiser which benefits the Via Christi Cancer Center and Angels Among Us; and

WHEREAS, Coach Beck and his team took part in relief efforts for the victims of the May 22, 2011, Joplin tornado; and

WHEREAS, Coach Beck was selected the 2011 Liberty Mutual NCAA Division II Coach of the Year. In recognition of this award, Pittsburg State received \$20,000 for its general scholarship fund and Liberty Mutual donated \$50,000 to the charities of Coach Beck's choosing: Angels Among Us, Mirza Shrine Temple-Hospital Dads, Bradley Richard Research Fund of the Aplastic Anemia and MDS International Fund and Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Memorial Fund. Coach Beck also was selected as the 2011 MIAA Conference Coach of the Year, the 2011 FieldTurf NCAA Division II Coach of the Year as well as the 2011 Don Hansen NCAA Division II Coach of the Year: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend Pittsburg State University's Coach Tim Beck for being named the 2011 Liberty Mutual NCAA Division II Football Coach of the Year and for his many civic and charitable activities. We wish Coach Beck continued success, both on and off the football field, in the future; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send five enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Bob Marshall.

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Senate Resolution No. 1819 was sponsored by Senator Bob Marshall.

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