

**No. R-87. Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the 2013-2014 Norwich University multiple national championship women's rugby team.**

(S.C.R.12)

By Senators Doyle, Cummings, and Pollina,

By Representatives Donahue of Northfield and Lewis of Berlin,

*Whereas*, Norwich University's 2013–2014 women's rugby team earned a perfect 40–0 record and three national championships, and

*Whereas*, post-regular season tournament college rugby is played in both the 7s (seven players) and 15s (15 players) formats, and

*Whereas*, Norwich's amazing triple-crown championship run began in November 2013, when the team clinched its third consecutive USA Rugby 7s title with a 17–10 win over James Madison University, and

*Whereas*, the team's national winning streak continued with the two inaugural American Collegiate Rugby Association (ACRA) championships, including Norwich's December 2013 victory in the 15s tournament with a 32–15 win over the U.S. Military Academy and concluding in May 2014 with a 36–10 win over Rutgers University for the ACRA 7s title, and

*Whereas*, this fantastic Norwich team included Meaghan Albert, Ariana Amodeo, Baylee Annis, Hannah Bell, Rose Bernheim, Riley Blankenship, Jessica Bosseler, Sophia Buono, Jessica Campion, Marissa Carde, Amber Marie Carini, Caitlin Cataldo, Vanessa Champagne, Joya Clark, Emily Colesworthy, Ally Day, Jordan Day, Jackie Derocher, Tiffany Ferrer, Taylor Franck, Shanoui Gunn, Brenna Hurley, Kim Hurley, Kayla Inouye, Valerie McGuire, Natalia Mendez, Sophie Mundell, Ally Murphy, Emily Oor, Danielle Richards, Shelby Rutherford, Taylor Trace, Catherine Valentine, Erin Viera, Sabrina Villanueva, Chelsea Weeden, Meaghan Weppner, and Sarah Whalen, while Head Coach Austin Hall was named the sport's National Collegiate Coach of the Year, and a team member was twice awarded National College 7s Player of the Year recognition, *now therefore be it*

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2013–2014 Norwich University multiple national championship women's rugby team, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Norwich University Sports Information Office.