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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

February 7, 2007

Mr. Lugar (for himself and Mr. Bayh) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas, on Sunday, February 4, 2007, the Indianapolis Colts defeated the Chicago Bears by a score of 29–17 to win Super Bowl XLI;
- Whereas Colts owner and chief executive officer Jim Irsay and the Irsay family have worked to build the Colts organization not only into a championship caliber team, but also a group dedicated to service in communities across the State of Indiana;
- Whereas Tony Dungy is the first head coach of African-American descent to lead a team to victory in the Super Bowl;

- Whereas Peyton Manning, having thrown for 247 yards and made 1 touchdown, was named the game's Most Valuable Player;
- Whereas the Colts' defense and special teams were able to force 5 turnovers and to limit the Bears to 17 points;
- Whereas Colts president Bill Polian, widely considered the "architect" of much of the Colts' recent success, and the Colts management have assembled a group of players and coaches that has worked together to win 4 straight championships in the Southern Division of the American Football Conference;
- Whereas the Colts' regular season record of 12–4 marks the team's fourth straight year with at least 12 wins, and makes the Colts only the second team to achieve such consistent success in the history of the National Football League;
- Whereas the Colts are committed to community leadership, working to help those in Indiana communities who are disadvantaged and underserved, through the generosity of the Irsay family and player groups such as the Peyback Foundation and D.R.E.A.M. Alive, Inc.;
- Whereas tens of thousands of fans braved bitterly cold temperatures to line the streets of Indianapolis, Indiana for a victory parade and the rally that followed in the RCA Dome; and
- Whereas Hoosiers from across Indiana and the Nation have rallied together to cheer the Colts not just for winning, but for winning the right way, with dignity and professionalism: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That the Senate congratulates the Indian-
- $2\;$ apolis Colts on their victory in Super Bowl XLI.

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