

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO REPORT

Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the committees have between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 2, to file legislative or executive reported legislation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA FOOTBALL TEAM

Mr. SANTORUM. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 66 submitted earlier today by Senators MACK and GRAHAM.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 66) commending the University of Florida Football Team for winning the 1996 Division I Collegiate Football National Championship.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. MACK. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce a resolution saluting the University of Florida football team on winning the 1996 National Football Championship.

As a proud alumnus of the University of Florida, I join with all those who have worn the Orange and Blue—both on and off the field—in honoring Coach Steve Spurrier, his staff and the football team for this outstanding accomplishment.

From its humble beginnings in 1906 to the present, the University of Florida's football program has had a rich and proud history. But 1996 will be forever known in the hearts and minds of the Gator faithful as "The Year of the Gator."

From the season opener in "The Swamp" to the national championship title game in the Sugar Bowl, the Gator faithful knew that with Steve Spurrier as their coach and Danny Wuerffel as the team's quarterback, field leader and spiritual leader, the 1996 season would indeed be one to remember.

The 1996 football team compiled a record of 12 wins and 1 loss and outscored their opponents 611 to 221 points in winning its fourth consecutive SEC championship and its first-ever national football championship.

For this achievement, the University of Florida was recognized by the Associated Press and major college football coaches as the 1996 national champions.

This season will also be remembered because for the first time in the history of the Heisman Trophy, an award which is presented annually to college football's most outstanding player, the winner played under a head coach who also had won the Heisman Trophy. Coach Steve Spurrier and Danny

Wuerffel should be commended for this high honor.

It is also important to note that for the first time since the NCAA has been keeping records, two division I college football teams from the same State have played each other for college football's national championship.

I also want to take this moment to honor Coach Bobby Bowden and the Florida State University football team for their outstanding season and for reaching the national championship game. While they didn't win the game, the Seminoles and their fans should be proud of their achievements and commended for an outstanding season.

The State of Florida is indeed fortunate to be home to three of the finest college football teams in the Nation: The University of Florida, Florida State University, and the University of Miami. Together these three teams combined have won six college football national championships.

But in 1996, the national football championship was won by the University of Florida. Not only is this a special accomplishment that will long be remembered by the coaches and players, but it is also a moment to savor for Gator fans. After 90 years of ups and downs, great victories and frustration, the Fightin' Gators are finally the national champions of college football. All the loyal sons and daughters of the University of Florida—wherever they may be—join me today in congratulating Coach Steve Spurrier, his staff, and the 1996 Fightin' Gator football team on winning the 1996 college football's national championship.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to print in the RECORD the names of the Gator players, coaches, and staff along with their season record and the final polls with the Florida Gators in the top position as the national champions.

There being no objection, the list was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA 1996 NATIONAL FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

Players

Tremayne Allen
Reidel Anthony
Ernie Badeaux
Tyrone Baker
James Bates
Ronnie Battle
Tim Beauchamp
Cheston Blackshear
Noah Brindise
Teako Brown
Pat Browning
Scott Bryan
Zuri Buchanan
Jayme Campbell
Cooper Carlisle
Derrick Chambers
Ed Chester
Willie Cohens
Mo Collins
Collins Cooper
Keith Council
Camerson Davis
Reggie Davis
Jason Dean
Ernie Dubose

Craig Dudley
Dwight Edge
Bart Edmiston
Jerome Evans
McDonald Ferguson
Rod Frazier
Tony George
Rod Graddy
Jacquez Green
Buck Gurley
Fred Hagberg
Mike Harris
Thomas Hewitt
Ike Hilliard
Todd Holland
Al Jackson
Denise Stevens
Tom Williams
Demetric Jackson
Terry Jackson
Doug Johnson
Ryan Kalich
Nafis Karim
Jevon Kearse
Trey Killingsworth
Erron Kinney
Sean Ladd
Demetrius Lewis
Anthone Lott
Eugene McCaslin
Xavier McCray
Reggie McGrew
Travis McGriff
Anthony Mitchell
Jeff Mitchell
Dwayne Mobley
Mike Moten
David Nabavi
Shawn Nunn
Daryl Owens
Alonza Pendergrass
Jason Perry
Mike Peterson
Zach Piller
Dock Pollard
Alan Rhine
Jamie Richardson
Larry Richart
Wyley Ritch
Willie Rodgers
Taras Ross
Johnny Rutledge
Brian Schottenheimer
Nick Schiralli
Shea Showers
Teddy Sims
Ian Skinner
Robby Stevenson
Deac Story
Fred Taylor
Matt Teague
Dwayne Thomas
Kavin Walton
Cedric Warren
Fred Weary
Elijah Williams
Scott Wise
Lawrence Wright
Danny Wuerffel
Jon Xynidis
Correy Yarbrough
Billy Young
Donnie Young
Michael Younkins
Zac Zedalis
President: Dr. John Lombardi
Director of Athletics: Jeremy Foley
Coaching Staff
Head Coach Steve Spurrier
Rod Broadway
Jim Collins
Dwayne Dixon
Carl Franks
Lawson Holland
Bob Sanders
Jimmy Ray Stephens
Bob Stoops