

SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 49

Introduced by: Senators Rusch, Curd, Ewing, Frerichs, Greenfield (Brock), Heinert, Kennedy, Klumb, Langer, Maher, Netherton, Novstrup, Sutton, and Wiik and Representatives Rasmussen, Ahlers, Campbell, Frye-Mueller, Gosch, Greenfield (Lana), Jensen (Kevin), Kaiser, Marty, Ring, Schaefer, and Schoenfish

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending and honoring Emily Grove, who represented team USA as a pole vaulter at the IAAF World Championships in London, England.

WHEREAS, Emily Grove is from Pontiac, Illinois, where she showed exemplary patience, dedication, and tenacity during her high school career at the Pontiac Township High School. She was the two-time Illinois state champion in the pole vault and one of the top prep pole vaulters in the nation and set the Illinois state record in the pole vault at 13 feet and five inches; and

WHEREAS, Emily continued her pole vaulting career at the University of South Dakota where she broke the Dakota Dome record in the pole vault while competing unattached with a height of 14 feet and seven and one-quarter inches at the USD Last Chance Meet; and

WHEREAS, Emily became the ninth collegiate woman to break the 15-foot barrier in the pole vault when she cleared a South Dakota program record 15-1 at the Sioux City Relays and became one of six pole vaulters representing team USA at the IAAF World Championship in London, England:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Ninety-Third Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that Emily Grove hereby be commended and honored for her hard work and dedication to her exemplary athleticism, and for representing team USA as a pole vaulter at the IAAF World Championship in London, England.

