

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. RES. 828

Congratulating the Washington Spirit on winning the 2021 National Women's Soccer League championship.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 1, 2021

Ms. NORTON submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

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## RESOLUTION

Congratulating the Washington Spirit on winning the 2021 National Women's Soccer League championship.

Whereas, on November 20, 2021, the Washington Spirit won the 2021 National Women's Soccer League (referred to in this preamble as the "NWSL") championship;

Whereas that November 20, 2021, win is the first NWSL championship won by the Washington Spirit;

Whereas the Washington Spirit beat the Chicago Red Stars in the NWSL championship game;

Whereas the Washington Spirit play home games at Audi Field in the District of Columbia and Segra Field in Virginia;

Whereas the 2021 roster of Washington Spirit players includes—

- (1) Aubrey Bledsoe;
- (2) Trinity Rodman;
- (3) Sam Staab;
- (4) Kelley O'Hara;
- (5) Emily Sonnett;
- (6) Saori Takarada;
- (7) Averie Collins;
- (8) Tegan McGrady;
- (9) Ashley Sanchez;
- (10) Jordan DiBiasi;
- (11) Andi Sullivan;
- (12) Bayley Feist;
- (13) Paige Nielsen;
- (14) Julia Roddar;
- (15) Kumi Yokoyama;
- (16) Devon Kerr;
- (17) Dorian Bailey;
- (18) Mariana Speckmaier;
- (19) Anna Heilferty;
- (20) Tori Huster;
- (21) Chinyelu Asher;
- (22) Karina Rodriguez;
- (23) Taylor Aylmer;
- (24) Tara McKeown;
- (25) Morgan Goff;
- (26) Camryn Biegalski;
- (27) Sydney Schneider; and
- (28) Ashley Hatch;

Whereas Aubrey Bledsoe received the 2021 NWSL Goal-keeper of the Year award;

Whereas Trinity Rodman received the 2021 NWSL Rookie of the Year award;

Whereas Ashley Hatch received the 2021 NWSL Golden Boot award;

Whereas the 2021 Washington Spirit coaching staff includes—

- (1) Acting Head Coach Kris Ward;
- (2) Assistant Coach Lee Nguyen;
- (3) Assistant Coach Annie Worden; and
- (4) Assistant Coach Paul Crichton; and

Whereas the players on the Washington Spirit showed tremendous resilience against the adversity they faced off the field this year: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) congratulates the Washington Spirit on win-  
3       ning the 2021 National Women’s Soccer League  
4       championship;

5               (2) applauds the people of the national capital  
6       region for their enthusiastic support of the Wash-  
7       ington Spirit; and

8               (3) supports equity in men’s and women’s pro-  
9       fessional sports.

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