

Introduced by: Mayor, Cox
Date: 02/27/24
Action: Adopted
Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
COMMENDING RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE SOLDOTNA HIGH SCHOOL
GIRLS' WRESTLING TEAM – ASAA GIRLS' STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONS
FOR THE YEAR 2023**

WHEREAS, the Alaska School Activities Association (ASAA) held the 2023 Girls' State Wrestling Championships in Anchorage at the Alaska Airlines Center on December 16, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the championship team was composed of Infinity Asita-Higs, Bella Bird, Tristen Byrd, Angelina Chavarria, Daisy Hannevold, Mia Hannevold, Jessica LeClair, Kaytlin McAnelly, Valarie McAnelly, Alyssa McDonald, Rowan Peck, Meg Roberts, Abriella Werner, Megan Whittom, and Taylor Whittom; and

WHEREAS, under the guidance of Head Coach Pete Dickinson and Assistant Coaches Max LeClair, and Phil Leck, the Soldotna High School (SoHi) Girls' Wrestling team won the title, scoring 212 points and setting the record for most points scored at State since 2017, when ASAA began keeping girls' team scores; and

WHEREAS, the SoHi Girls' title was the first State wrestling team title for the Stars, and the first girls' title for the Kenai Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, in only her second year of wrestling, senior Kaytlin McAnelly defeated the returning state champion who was previously undefeated, and won the title of "Most Outstanding Wrestler" along with the State title; and

WHEREAS, the Soldotna Stars won five out of five matches: Jessica LeClair winning 100 pounds, Valarie McAnelly winning 107 pounds, Rowan Peck winning 120 pounds, Kaytlin McAnelly winning 132 pounds, and Daisy Hannevold winning 138 pounds; and

WHEREAS, also placing for Soldotna were Meg Roberts in 3rd at 235, Megan Whittom in 4th at 100, Angelina Chavarria in 6th at 114, and Alyssa McDonald in 6th at 165; and

WHEREAS, the five athletes who won their State Championship Final matches brought home the most state wrestling champions in the history of Soldotna High School; and

WHEREAS, their excellent performance is a testament to their hard work, determination, camaraderie, and love of the sport, and a credit to their coaches, families, school, and community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly commends the Soldotna High School Girls' Wrestling Team for their performance in winning the ASAA 2023 Girls' State Wrestling Championship.

SECTION 2. That a special Certificate of Achievement shall be presented to each member of the winning team.

SECTION 3. That a copy of this resolution be given to Head Coach Peter Dickinson.

SECTION 4. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024.


Brent Johnson, Assembly President

ATTEST:


Michele Turner, CMC, Borough Clerk



Yes: Cooper, Cox, Ecklund, Elam, Hibbert, Ribbens, Tunseth, Tupper, Johnson

No:

Absent: