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Senate Resolution No. \_\_\_\_

A resolution recognizing and commending the Kobayashi Dojo Team for winning the Gold Medal in the Performance Division of the 2002 USA National Karate-do Federation Tournament.

WHEREAS, the Kobayashi Dojo Team of Coral Springs, Florida, made up of children 7 to 15 years of age, competed with 6,400 other young people in the USA National Karate-do Federation Tournament in Norfolk, Virginia, on July 20, 2002, and won the gold medal in the Performance Division of the competition, and

WHEREAS, the coaches of the Kobayashi Dojo Team are Bernie Dougherty and Yuki Dougherty, and the members of the team are Stephen Cross, Eric J. Dino, Daichi Dougherty, Miko Dougherty, Khoi Duong, Robert Hanna, Erin Hodson, Bruce James, Jr., Christian Journey, Max Peugues, Anthony Rosado, Bencis Sanchez, Chelsea Spiro, Evan Thompson, Alexandra Wilson, and Zackary Wilson, and

WHEREAS, the team routinely performs free Karate demonstrations in and around Cape Coral to entertain and promote good will for numerous organizations, such as the American Cancer Society, the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, and the Westbay Retirement Home, and

WHEREAS, the team's civic activities and successes in Karate competitions bring distinctive honor to the State of Florida and its citizens, especially those who reside in Cape Coral and Lee County, by exemplifying the responsible citizenship and competitive excellence a group of young men and women can attain by combining their talents and

1 disciplining themselves in work to excel in performing the art  
2 of Karate, NOW, THEREFORE,

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4 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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6           That the Florida Senate recognizes and commends the  
7 Kobayashi Dojo Team of Coral Springs, Florida, for its  
8 outstanding accomplishments in competition at the July 20,  
9 2002, USA National Karate-do Federation Tournament in Norfolk,  
10 Virginia, and for its responsible citizenship in routinely  
11 performing free Karate demonstrations for community service  
12 organizations in and around Cape Coral.

13           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,  
14 with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to the  
15 Kobayashi Dojo Team of Coral Springs, Florida, as a tangible  
16 token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate.

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