

SENATE RESOLUTION

COMMENDING MR. MAURICE CARTHON FROM OSCEOLA, ARKANSAS, A MEMBER OF THE NEW YORK GIANTS FOOTBALL TEAM, FOR HIS OUTSTANDING ATHLETIC ABILITY AND SPORTSMANSHIP, AND FOR THE FAVORABLE PUBLICITY HE HAS BROUGHT TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

WHEREAS, Mr. Maurice Carthon, the son of Mrs. Jessie Mae Carthon of Osceola, Arkansas, who recently completed his second season with the New York Giants, the winners of the 1987 Super Bowl, started his athletic career as a member of the Osceola, Arkansas high school football team and was a two-year starter on the Osceola high school basketball team which was a Class AAA State championship team; and

WHEREAS, during his athletic career at Osceola high school, Mr. Carthon received many honors including selection to the All-Conference Basketball Team and selection as All-State and Most Valuable Player in the State tournament; and

WHEREAS, after completion of high school, Maurice Carthon attended Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, Arkansas, where he established a brilliant athletic record as a member of the Arkansas State University football team; and

WHEREAS, during his career at Arkansas State University, Mr. Carthon was named All-Southland Conference Player as a junior, started every game during the final three seasons of his career, led the team in rushing as a junior with 678 yards on 153 carries, and as senior, 682 yards on 142 carries and compiled ASU career statistics of 1,583 yards in rushing on 362 carries and 203 yards receiving on 26 receptions, and scored 7 touchdowns; and

WHEREAS, after leaving Arkansas State University, Mr. Carthon played three seasons with the New Jersey Generals of the United States Football League and was the Generals' second leading rusher behind Herschel Walker, with 334 yards on 90 carries including 3 touchdowns and during his career with the Generals he also had 20 receptions for a gain of 170 yards and led the USFL in 1983 with three successful two-point conversions, and in 1984 gained 1,042 yards for an average of 4.4 yards per carry and scored 11 touchdowns; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Maurice Carthon, son of Mrs. Jessie Mae Carthon of Osceola, Arkansas, is deserving of public commendation and congratulations for his outstanding athletic ability and sportsmanship,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

That the Senate of the Arkansas General Assembly and the individual members of the Senate hereby commend Mr. Maurice Carthon for his outstanding athletic ability and sportsmanship throughout his athletic career and expresses appreciation to him for the favorable publicity and recognition he has brought to the State of Arkansas.