

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

April 20, 2023

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Biden,

We are writing to encourage you to invite the Quinnipiac University men's hockey team to the White House, in recognition of their recent NCAA Division I Frozen Four national championship win.

On April 8, 2023, the Quinnipiac Bobcats won a thrilling game in overtime to claim their first ever national championship. This spectacular win capped a historic season for the Bobcats, in which they recorded the most wins ever in program history at 34.

For almost three decades, Head Coach Rand Pecknold has built Quinnipiac hockey from a division two program into a true national powerhouse – appearing in eight of the last ten NCAA tournaments and in two previous championship games. The rise of Quinnipiac hockey mirrors the similar growth in academic excellence and prestige of Quinnipiac University, growing into a multi-campus, highly regarded higher education institution with national rankings in university quality, best colleges for veterans, and best educational value.

This win is the culmination of years of hard work and dedication from all the players, coaches, staff, fans, students and faculty of Quinnipiac University. As one of the former players who gathered together to watch the final game said, “Once you are on the team and you are alumni, you are family.” Nothing encapsulates more the impact that Quinnipiac hockey under Coach Pecknold has had on so many people.

As proud members of the Connecticut delegation, we join the entire state in celebrating the Quinnipiac Bobcats on their historic season and extraordinary victory. We hope you are able to honor the Bobcats at the White House in recognition of their incredible achievements.

Thank you for your consideration.

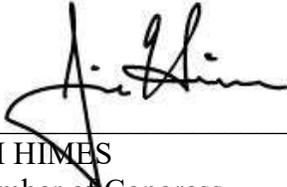
Sincerely,



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United States Senate



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United States Senate



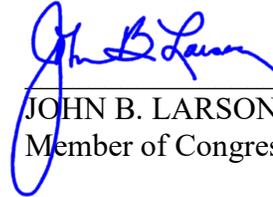
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