

# Indiana University of Pennsylvania

INDIANA, PENNSYLVANIA



## Resolution of Commendation IUP Baseball

**WHEREAS**, the IUP baseball team completed the best season in program history in 2024, with a program-record 41 victories and a historic trip to the national semifinals of the NCAA Division II College World Series in Cary, North Carolina;

**WHEREAS**, the team's NCAA tournament appearance was only the third in program history and the first since the 1990 season;

**WHEREAS**, IUP won its first NCAA Division II tournament game since 1988 as an at-large selection and fifth seed, sweeping the NCAA Atlantic Region One Tournament before hosting and winning its first NCAA Division II Super Regional series against Seton Hill at Owen J. Dougherty Field on May 26, 2024;

**WHEREAS**, IUP eliminated top-seeded Central Missouri and fourth-seeded Point Loma in the double-elimination College World Series tournament before forcing an elimination game against eighth-seeded Angelo State in the national semifinals;

**WHEREAS**, the Crimson Hawks closed the 2024 season ranked fourth in the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) Division II Top 25 Poll;

**WHEREAS**, head coach Steve Kline was named the 2024 ABCA/ATEC Atlantic Region Coach of the Year, while Harrison Pontoli and Ricardo Aponte earned All-PSAC West Second Team honors;

**WHEREAS**, Harrison Pontoli and Jake Black earned All-Tournament honors at the 2024 NCAA Division II Baseball Championship;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the IUP Council of Trustees commends the baseball team for its accomplishments during the 2024 season.

Approved this 5th day of September, 2024.

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Samuel H. Smith, Chair  
IUP Council of Trustees