

Senate Resolution 25

By: Senator Albers of the 56th

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating the University of Louisville Cardinals football team for their 2013 Sugar
2 Bowl win against the University of Florida; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, through perseverance and iron determination, the Louisville Cardinals defeated
4 the Florida Gators with a hard-earned 33-23 victory on January 2, 2013, at the Mercedes
5 Benz Superdome in New Orleans, Louisiana, before a charged crowd of 54,178; and

6 WHEREAS, this victory helped the university achieve its fifth 11-win season in school
7 history, as well as the third Big East title overall and the second consecutive Big East titles
8 in 2011 and 2012; and

9 WHEREAS, the phenomenal performance of the team is a clear indication of the outstanding
10 athletic ability, the dedication and hard work, and the unity of purpose and spirit of each
11 member of the team; their superb offensive and defensive talents; and the astute direction of
12 Head Coach Charlie Strong; and

13 WHEREAS, Coach Strong has been named a finalist for the Liberty Mutual Coach of the
14 Year Award, and has also been named the Big East Coach of the Year for the second time
15 in three years; and

16 WHEREAS, sophomore quarterback Teddy Bridgewater, who went 20-for-32 for 266 yards
17 and two touchdowns in the win, was named the Sugar Bowl Most Valuable Player, as well
18 as the Big East Offensive Player of the Year this season; and

19 WHEREAS, the Louisville Cardinals defeated a Top 5 team for the third straight time,
20 ending their season by winning consecutive games against ranked teams; and

21 WHEREAS, as this outstanding team earned its fitting reputation for excellence by
22 performing with courage and defiance over months of training and competition, it is entirely
23 accurate to call them Sugar Bowl Champions.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 congratulate the University of Louisville Cardinals for winning the 2013 Sugar Bowl and
26 extend their sincerest best wishes for future success.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the University of Louisville.