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ST. PAUL, Minn. -- The Augsburg University men's wrestling team was honored for its 2019 NCAA Division III national championship at the Minnesota State Capitol on Tuesday, receiving congratulatory proclamations from the House of Representatives and the Governor's office.

Five national tournament qualifiers from the 2019 Auggie squad -- 157-pound national champion Ryan Epps (JR, Cannon Falls, Minn./Cannon Falls HS), 149-pound fourth-place finisher Alex Wilson (SR, Oak Grove, Minn./St. Francis HS), 125-pound fifth-place finisher Victor Gliva (JR, Farmington, Minn./Farmington HS), 174-pound fifth-place finisher Tanner Vassar (JR, Maple Lake, Minn./Maple Lake HS) and 133-pound four-time national qualifier Sam Bennyhoff (SR, Mound, Minn./Mound-Westonka HS) -- joined coaches Jim Moulsoff, Tony Valek and Justin Koob and Athletic Director Jeff Swenson at the State Capitol on Tuesday.

The Auggies were presented with celebratory proclamations on the floor of the House of Representatives, then were given a tour of the Capitol building by State Rep. Bob Dettmer, an NAIA wrestling national titlist at Bemidji State University who spent more than 30 years as wrestling coach at Forest Lake (Minn.) High School. Dettmer authored a proclamation that was approved by the House of Representatives, and also presented the Auggies with a proclamation from Minnesota Governor Tim Walz.

In March, Augsburg won its 13th NCAA Division III national title in men's wrestling since 1991, claiming the crown with four individual national titlists and seven All-Americans among its nine tournament qualifiers. The Auggies won the crown with 130.0 points, a 64-point margin of victory, at the 2019 tournament, held in Roanoke, Va.

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