WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. Congressman Mike Pence issued the following statement in anticipation of Butler's Final Four appearance:

"This weekend, all Hoosiers are Bulldogs.

"The NCAA Men's Basketball Championship has come to basketball's home court. Just miles from the very same field house where the 1954 Milan High School team won the state championship, the Butler Bulldogs, led by Coach Brad Stevens, will conclude an impressive season by adding a national championship to Indiana's storied tradition.

"As they take the nation's longest current winning streak into the weekend, I join all Hoosiers, especially my wife Karen, a proud Butler alum, in saying: 'Go Dawgs!'"