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SENATE RESOLUTION

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Subtitle

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WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team are the 2022-2023 Ohio Valley Conference Regular Season Champions; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team became the first team in the Ohio Valley Conference to win the league title in its first year as members of the league; and

WHEREAS, the regular season championship marked the thirteenth conference title in the past sixteen (16) years and the eighteenth championship won overall for the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team reached the semifinals of the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament for the fifteenth time in sixteen (16) years, the third-longest



stretch in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team registered an Ohio Valley Conference record of forty-six and thirty-three one hundredths (46.33) points allowed per game in league play, while the Ohio Valley Conference record was fifty and nine-tenths (50.9) points allowed per game overall; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team recorded the program's fourth win over a Southeastern Conference program in the past three (3) seasons; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team was named the National Team of the Week by the U.S. Basketball Writer's Association for the week ending Sunday, February 19, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team player Angelique Francis was named the 2023 recipient of the Pat Summitt Most Courageous Award and she will receive this award at the Women's Final Four Tournament; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Joe Foley was named the Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year and this was his sixth Coach of the Year honor; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team player Sali Kourouma was named the Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year and this is the fourth Player of the Year honor a Trojan has won; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team members received the following awards: Sali Kourouma was named First Team All-Ohio Valley Conference; Tia Harvey was named Second Team All-Ohio Valley Conference; and Jaiyah Harris-Smith named to the Ohio Valley Conference All-Newcomer Team; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team finished the season undefeated at home in Ohio Valley Conference League play; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team played Southern Methodist University in the first round of the Women's National Invitation Tournament,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate commend the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans Women's Basketball Team for being the 2023 Ohio Valley Conference Regular Season Champions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, a copy shall be transmitted to Head Coach Joe Foley by the Secretary of the Senate.