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SENATE RESOLUTION

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BASKETBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2023 CLASS 3A BOYS
STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

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WHEREAS, on March 11, 2023, the Manila High School Lions Boys Basketball Team won the 2023 Class 3A Boys State Basketball Championship at the Bank OZK Arena in Hot Springs, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, the Manila High School Lions Boys Basketball Team defeated the Bergman High School Boys Basketball Team in overtime by a score of sixty-one (61) to fifty-seven (57); and

WHEREAS, the Manila High School Lions Boys Basketball Team had a conference record of eleven (11) wins and one (1) loss, an overall record of thirty-one (31) wins and five (5) losses, and were the Class 3A-3 Conference and District champions; and

WHEREAS, the Manila High School Lions Boys Basketball Team is coached by Head Coach Lee Wimberley, the Assistant Coach is Heath Matheny, and the Volunteer Assistant Coach is Matthew May; and

WHEREAS, Brayden Nunnally was named the State Tournament Most Valuable



Player and was named to the All-State, All-State Tournament, All-Region, and All-Conference Teams; and

WHEREAS, Jaron Burrow was named to the All-State, All-State Tournament, and All-Conference Teams, Luke Kirk was named to the All-State Tournament and All-Conference Teams, Costner Smith was named to the All-Conference Team, and Rex Farmer was named to the All-Conference Team; and

WHEREAS, the Manila High School Lions Boys Basketball Team includes Brayden Nunnally, Jaron Burrow, Luke Kirk, Costner Smith, Rex Farmer, Luke Beach, Koltan Kisner, Tannyn Palmer, Brian Neal, Kohner Gann, Colton Burns, Kendan Crane, Carson Baltimore, and Hudson Harrison; and

WHEREAS, Coach Wimberly stated "I've been a part of teams since I was a child, whether playing or coaching, and in those forty (40) plus years, I have never seen a team that enjoyed being around each other more than this group. They truly played for one another, each individual accepting his role for the team, and his teammates. They embodied what a team truly is, and that is why they are State Champions.",

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the Senate recognize the Manila High School Lions Boys Basketball Team for winning the 2023 Class 3A Boys Basketball State Championship.

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