

By: Representative V. Flowers

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM AS THE 2024 5A STATE
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Subtitle

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WHEREAS, the Pine Bluff High School Zebras boys basketball team won the Class 5A Boys State Basketball Championship on March 8, 2024, at the Bank OZK Arena in Hot Springs, Arkansas, defeating the Benton High School boys varsity basketball team by a score of sixty-eight (68) to sixty-three (63); and

WHEREAS, the Pine Bluff High School Zebras boys basketball team's victory in the Class 5A Boys State Basketball Championship is the second consecutive state championship title for the Zebras boys basketball team; and

WHEREAS, the Pine Bluff High School Zebras boys basketball team won fourteen (14) conference games, and had an overall record of twenty-five (25) wins and five (5) losses; and

WHEREAS, the Pine Bluff High School Zebras boys basketball team was led to victory by Head Coach Billy Dixon and Assistant Coach Lenell Brown; and

WHEREAS, senior Courtney Crutchfield finished the game with twenty-four (24) points, seven (7) rebounds, and six (6) steals and was named the Most



Valuable Player for the second consecutive season; and

WHEREAS, junior Deriyon Graydon finished the game with fourteen (14) points and six (6) rebounds and Senior Jamaal Hickman finished the game with twelve (12) points and four (4) rebounds; and

WHEREAS, seniors Courtney Crutchfield and Braylen Hall were both named to the Class 5A Boys Basketball All State Tournament Team; and

WHEREAS, the Pine Bluff High School Zebras boys basketball team's Head Coach Billy Dixon was selected to coach in this summer's all-star game; and

WHEREAS, Coach Dixon stated, "These guys put in a lot of work. They put in a lot of time. They make a lot of sacrifice[s] and commitment.",

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the House of Representatives recognize the Pine Bluff High School Zebras boys basketball team for winning the 2024 Class 5A Boys Basketball State Championship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution shall be provided to Coach Billy Dixon by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.