

By: Senator Crowell

SENATE RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE THE ARKADELPHIA HIGH SCHOOL BADGERS
FOOTBALL TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

Subtitle

TO RECOGNIZE THE ARKADELPHIA HIGH SCHOOL
BADGERS FOOTBALL TEAM AS THE 2024 CLASS
4A STATE CHAMPIONS.

WHEREAS, the Arkadelphia High School Badgers football team won the Class 4A state championship held on December 14, 2024, at War Memorial Stadium in Little Rock; and

WHEREAS, the game was a shutout, with the Badgers earning twenty-eight points while holding the normally high-scoring Elkins Elks to zero points (28-0); and

WHEREAS, the last shutout prior to this in a state championship football game was in 2018, when the Badgers last won the Class 4A state championship title; and

WHEREAS, this was the fifth Class 4A state championship win for the Badgers; and

WHEREAS, the state championship win followed a twenty-two-game conference winning streak for the Badgers, who have not lost to a conference opponent since October 2021; and



WHEREAS, the Badgers finished the 2024-2025 season with thirteen wins and two losses overall (13-2) and seven wins and zero losses (7-0) in conference play; and

WHEREAS, Badgers team members are Reese Campbell, Brayden Wagner, Quentavion Morris, Jay Purifoy, Malachi Hamilton, Orion Roberts, L.J. Faulkner, Kyle Reed, Bryceton Mccoy, Maddox Fendley, Kaden Whitaker, Nate Alexander, Colton Plyler, Amari Ford, Kaden Willett, Bryce Meakin, Gavin Jones, Riley Cummings, Jon Ross Simpson, Carson Trigg, Cam Archer, Blake Moody, Brett Boyette, Jaden Reliford, Kaden Richards, Ethan Lewis, Kasey Pye, Andy McDill, Skyler McClure, Kelton Wilson, Walker Whitten, Josh Davis, Jaden Mackenzie, Carson Brawley, Hunter Yarber, Hayden Hooten, Jace Nelson, Peyton Wesley, Clark Wingfield, Seth Molinari, Thomas Miller, Caleb Davis, Trace Young, Braxton Fairchild, Lajovis Moody, Lance Gulley, Anthony Hill, Nykkisson Wimberley, Tyrell Jones, Jacaree Wade, Derrick Turner, Holden Craig, Jacob Calhoon, Ashton Hayes, Hunter Wyatt, Carson Carozza, Dom Brumfield, Kaden Marlow, Drake Thevenot, Grant Rollins, Cam Crow, Jacoby Campbell, Jaxon Jester, and Xzavion Williams; and

WHEREAS, Badgers team managers are Juan Castro, Chase Conroy, Cypress Blakeney, Caiden Dickerson, M'Kayla Morris, Jaret Luna, Cooper Babb, Carson Hood, Layne Wingfield, and Carter Carozza; and

WHEREAS, team member Seth Molinari set a new school record for number of points-after-touchdown in a single game during the 2024-2025 season with eleven (11); and

WHEREAS, team member Bryston McCoy set a new school record for passing touchdowns in a season with forty-six (46); and

WHEREAS, team member Jay Purifoy was named the Hooten's-Farm Bureau Class 4A Offensive Player of the Year and was named to the All-Arkansas Preps Second Team and the Arkansas Activities Association All-Star Team; and

WHEREAS, team member Nykkisson Wimberley was named to the All-Arkansas Preps Second Team and the Arkansas Activities Association All-Star Team; and

WHEREAS, team member Brayden Wagner was named Most Valuable Player of the Class 4A state championship tournament; and

WHEREAS, the Badgers were led by Head Coach Trey Schucker, Defensive Coordinator and Defensive Back Coach Chris Kizer, Offensive Coordinator and Wide Receiver Coach Benson Jordan, Special Teams and Linebacker Coach Ben Chandler, Defensive Line Coach Bobby Evins, Offensive Line Coach Evan Spears, and Assistant Coaches Brandon Helms and J.T. Williams; and

WHEREAS, Badgers Head Coach Trey Schucker was voted Class 4A Conference Coach of the Year for the third time, the Hooten's-Farm Bureau Class 4A Coach of the Year, and the KATV Channel 7/Red River Arkansas Football Coach of the Year, and was voted on to the Arkansas Activities Association All-Star Coaching Staff-West Team; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Trey Schucker said of the season and the win, "This team represented the Arkadelphia School District and the Arkadelphia community very well with how they played the game of football for each other and showed a true brotherhood. By showing discipline and doing things right on and off the field, this team was able to show what it takes to win a state championship and uphold the winning culture of the Arkadelphia football program",

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the Senate recognize the Arkadelphia High School Badgers football team as the 2024 Class 4A state champions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be presented to Head Coach Trey Schucker by the Secretary of the Senate.