

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 61

BY SENATOR BISHOP

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the University of Dillard's men's basketball team on being selected to play in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Tournament.

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that the members of the Senate of the Legislature have learned that the Dillard's men's basketball team was selected to play in the 80th Annual Buffalo Funds-NAIA Division I Men's Basketball National Championship; and

WHEREAS, the NAIA headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, is a governing body of small athletics programs that are dedicated to character-driven intercollegiate athletics; and

WHEREAS, the NAIA Tournament began in 1937 with the tipoff of a men's basketball tournament in Kansas City that has become the longest running event in college basketball; and

WHEREAS, the number seven ranked Dillard Bleu Devils finished with an impressive (25-7, 11-1) and were led by NAIA All-American senior Demetric Austin who finished with a game high of thirty-one points, grabbed five rebounds and dished out two assists while teammate and Gulf Coast Athletic Conference Men's Basketball Newcomer of the Year Jalen McGaughy had a solid game, scoring twenty points and grabbing nine rebounds for Dillard to lead to a victory over Oklahoma City in the first round 64-43.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate the Dillard's men's basketball team on being selected to play in the NAIA Tournament.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Dillard's men's basketball Head Coach Mike Newell.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE