

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 14

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAMBURG

A RESOLUTION

To commend Parkway High School girls' basketball coach Gloria Williams on her successful career.

WHEREAS, Gloria Williams has led the Parkway High School girls' basketball program since 2016, and in nine seasons as the Lady Panthers' head coach, she has achieved an overall record of one hundred ninety-six wins and eighty-one losses; she has been especially successful over the past six seasons, leading the team to an incredible record of one hundred sixty-four wins and only thirty-two losses; and

WHEREAS, prior to the arrival of Coach Williams, the Parkway Lady Panthers had zero state championship appearances; the team earned its first championship appearance in 2022, which began a streak of four consecutive state championship appearances; the program also claimed its first and second state titles with back-to-back Division I Non-select Girls' state championship victories in 2023 and 2024; and

WHEREAS, Coach Williams has received numerous awards and honors for her incredible achievements while leading the Parkway Lady Panthers; she is a two-time *Shreveport Times* All-City Coach of the Year, the 2023 *Shreveport Times*/Richard Lary Coach of the Year, and a two-time Louisiana Sports Writers Association Class 5A Coach of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Coach Williams coached two players who were recognized by the Louisiana Sports Writers Association as Outstanding Players of Class 5A, Mikaylah Williams and Chloe Larry; Mikaylah Williams, who is a current member of the Louisiana State University women's basketball team, was also a two-time Louisiana Gatorade Player of the Year and a McDonald's All-American; Chloe Larry currently plays for the Tennessee Tech University women's basketball team; and

WHEREAS, Coach Gloria Williams is a truly incredible leader who is most deserving of the highest recognition for her dedication to the Parkway High School girls' basketball team and for her outstanding coaching achievements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Parkway High School girls' basketball coach Gloria Williams on her successful career and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that she continue to prosper in all of her future endeavors for many years to come.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES