

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 105

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOWARD

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Florien Lady Blackcats girls' basketball team upon winning the Louisiana Allstate Sugar Bowl/LHSAA Girls' State Basketball Championship, Class B.

WHEREAS, under the tutelage of head coach Dewain Strother, Florien High School has had a storied girls' basketball program for many years winning over one thousand games since 1983, including five championships, five runners-up, and sixteen state tournament appearances; and

WHEREAS, the 2016-2017 Lady Blackcats continued that tradition with an overall 35-2 season gaining them a place in the Allstate Sugar Bowl/LHSAA Girls' State Basketball Championship, Class B; and

WHEREAS, during the tournament the Lady Blackcats defeated Midland 74-40, Hathaway 72-54, and Holden 62-58, avenging the Blackcats' loss in last year's championship game, placing them in the finals against Anacoco; and

WHEREAS, during the championship game, Florien took control of the game from the outset with six unanswered points at the beginning, while Anacoco fought back to lead by two points at halftime but they could not sustain the lead as the Lady Blackcats scored sixteen unanswered points at the beginning of the second half putting the game out of reach for the Lady Indians from Anacoco with a final score of 53-38; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Blackcats were led during the 2016-2017 season by Aja Law, their six-foot center who averaged twenty points a game with eleven rebounds, joined by usual starters Ashlyn Anthony, MaCayla Miller, Morgan Miller, and Kendra Richardson, and a strong bench in Katie Alford, Alasia Gipson, Kylee Strother, and Destinee Strother.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Florien Lady Blackcats girls' basketball

team upon winning the Louisiana Allstate Sugar Bowl/LHSAA Girls' State Basketball Championship, Class B.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Coach Dewain Strother of Florien High School.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES