

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 207

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COMMENDATIONS: Commends the LSU-Eunice Lady Bengals softball team upon winning the 2017 national championship

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the LSU-Eunice Lady Bengals softball team upon winning the 2017 national  
3 championship.

4 WHEREAS, the LSU-Eunice Lady Bengals won their fifth national championship  
5 by defeating the top-ranked Jones County Junior College Lady Bobcats at Traceway Park  
6 on May 20, 2017; and

7 WHEREAS, the game was a back-and-forth battle with the Lady Bengals coming  
8 from behind in the bottom of the seventh inning to win by a score of eight to seven; and

9 WHEREAS, the Lady Bengals trailed three to zero early in the second inning but  
10 were able to come charging back in the bottom of the third inning when freshman Sierra  
11 Gasca walked and sophomore Rebecca Skains hit a towering home run; and

12 WHEREAS, the Lady Bengals were able to capture a four to three lead in the fourth  
13 inning on a double by sophomore Jeannemarrie Angelle and scored a run on a hit by  
14 freshman Mima Doucet; and

15 WHEREAS, in the top of the fifth, Jones County rallied for three runs to regain the  
16 lead; refusing to concede victory, Rebecca Skains blasted a solo home run in the bottom of  
17 the fifth to close the gap; and

1           WHEREAS, Jones County again widened the lead in the top of the sixth inning to  
2 seven to five; the Lady Bengals rallied back when sophomore Bobbi Smith reached on an  
3 error and scored on a single to center field by sophomore Molly Wilson; and

4           WHEREAS, the Lady Bengals went into the bottom of the seventh trailing seven to  
5 six; Jordan Bishop opened the inning with a single and tied the game when pinch runner  
6 freshman Abby Trahan scored on a wild pitch; the Lady Bengals' freshman Emily Henderson  
7 scored the game winning run on a squeeze bunt by freshman Haley Godeaux; and

8           WHEREAS, the Lady Bengals could not have performed so well without the help  
9 of sophomore pitchers Abigail Leonards and Hannah Vidallier; and

10          WHEREAS, the Lady Bengals were also led by most valuable player, Rebecca  
11 Skains, who went three-for-four with two home runs; also contributing were Molly Wilson  
12 who went two-for-four, Jeannemarie Angelle who went two-for-three, and Sierra Gasca who  
13 went two-for-two; and

14          WHEREAS, the Lady Bengals' 2017 national championship was truly a team effort  
15 and all of the members of the team made invaluable contributions, including Mary Guillory,  
16 Darian Doucet, Elizabeth Fontenot, Ally Howard, Savannah Lejeune, Alexa Lonibos,  
17 Maleah Saucedo, and Lakyn Wales.

18          THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
19 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the LSU-Eunice Lady Bengals softball team  
20 upon winning the 2017 national championship; does hereby extend its best wishes to the  
21 players, coaches, and everyone involved with the outstanding program as they celebrate their  
22 great season and wonderful victory in the championship game.

23          BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted  
24 to head coach Andy Lee.

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