

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 237

BY REPRESENTATIVE ABRAMSON

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Metairie Park Country Day School Lady Cajuns volleyball team upon winning the 2016 Division V state championship.

WHEREAS, the second-seeded Metairie Park Country Day Lady Cajuns volleyball team completed a remarkable season by earning the title of 2016 Division V state champions after defeating the top-seeded Ascension Episcopal Lady Gators 27-29, 25-20, 25-15, and 25-16 in the state championship game; and

WHEREAS, this Division V victory marks the seventh championship in eight years and the tenth overall title for the school; and

WHEREAS, the members of the team performed at the highest level of excellence throughout the 2016 regular season and playoffs, amassing a record of thirty-eight wins and eleven losses; and

WHEREAS, the team's amazing feats could not have been achieved without the unwavering dedication, support, and guidance of Division V, District 8 Coach of the Year, Julie Ibieta and her coaching staff as well as the passion of the many supporters of the Lady Cajuns who contributed to the success of the school's volleyball program; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Cajuns exceptional season led to very prestigious accolades being bestowed upon several players; including, Jenna Ibieta receiving a first-team selection to the CBS MaxPreps Small Schools All-American Volleyball team from CBS MaxPreps sports staff, a selection to the 2016 All-Star Volleyball game by the Louisiana High School Coaches Association and Louisiana Volleyball Coaches Association, an All-State selection by the Louisiana Volleyball Coach Association, a small schools All-Metro Most Outstanding Player selection by The Advocate New Orleans, and a Most Valuable Player selection for

All-Division V, District 8 team, as well as being named the Most Outstanding Player of the championship game; and

WHEREAS, the accolades did not stop there as Leigh Maher and Alex Smith joined Ms. Ibieta in receiving All-State, All-Metro, and All-Division V, District 8 honors; and

WHEREAS, a number of other players were also named to the 2016 All-Division V, District 8 team, with the selection of Kaci Chairs, Samantha Henderson, and Brittany Stevens; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to commend the Metairie Park Country Day Lady Cajuns volleyball team upon winning the 2016 Division V state championship; and

WHEREAS, all alumni and fans recognize the tremendous honor, pride, and joy that the team brings to Metairie Park Country Day, Jefferson Parish, and the state of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate the Metairie Park Country Day Lady Cajuns volleyball team upon winning the 2016 Division V state championship; does hereby record for posterity this exceptional team's triumph in the great sport of volleyball; and does hereby extend best wishes to the players, coaches, and everyone involved with this fine volleyball program as they celebrate their championship season and prepare for continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Metairie Park Country Day School's head coach, Julie Ibieta.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES