2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 50

BY REPRESENTATIVE AMEDEE

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Ellender Memorial High School girls' basketball team on winning the Louisiana State High School Athletic Association 2022 Class 4A state championship.

WHEREAS, the Ellender Memorial High School girls' basketball team honored the memory of its former coach, the late-Kenneth Dixon, by defeating Warren Easton High School, 50-44, in the Class 4A state championship game; Coach Dixon tragically passed away last year, but the team rallied around one another and their new coach, Javine Robinson, to find the motivation to orchestrate a championship run; and

WHEREAS, with the victory, Ellender captured its first girls' basketball state title since 2017; the school entered the championship match with five total state titles in girls' basketball, all under the leadership of Coach Dixon, and their opponent boasted three state titles; and

WHEREAS, Ellender was led by the game's Most Outstanding Player, sophomore Laijah Rockward, who had a double-double with thirteen points and ten rebounds; junior Jamia Singleton also contributed twelve points, and senior Jasi Jenkins grabbed fourteen rebounds, including eleven offensive rebounds, to help lead the team to victory; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Ellender Memorial High School girls' basketball team are true models of determination and perseverance; they are most deserving of the highest recognition for honoring the memory of Coach Dixon by winning the school's sixth state championship in girls' basketball.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Ellender Memorial High School girls' basketball team on winning the 2022 Louisiana High School Athletic Association Class 4A state championship; does hereby extend heartfelt condolences to the members of the team on the passing of Coach Kenneth Dixon; does hereby further recognize the team for its inspiring journey throughout the season; and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that the Ellender Memorial High School girls' basketball program continue to honor the memory of Coach Dixon by maintaining the level of dedication and perseverance that earned them the 2022 Class 4A state title.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the principal of Ellender Memorial High School.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES