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2 Tindley Accelerated School's boys basketball team.

3 *Whereas, The boys basketball team from Charles A.*
4 *Tindley Accelerated School, a charter school on the*
5 *northeast side of Indianapolis, has joined an elite group of*
6 *athletes for the very first time;*

7 *Whereas, The Tigers are now basketball state champions;*

8 *Whereas, Although Tindley's basketball program, guided*
9 *by head coach Robert Wonnell, has been a very successful*
10 *program, winning three sectionals, a regional, and*
11 *semi-state, it had never been able to take that final step;*

12 *Whereas, On Saturday, March 25, 2017, at Bankers Life*
13 *Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, it did;*

14 *Whereas, With just five seconds left in the game, Hunter*
15 *White launched a bank shot in the lane to give the Tigers a*
16 *51-49 win over Lafayette Central Catholic in the Class A title*
17 *game;*

18 *Whereas, A hard fought battle from the onset, the score was*
19 *tied four times and the lead changed five times;*

20 *Whereas, This victory marked the first state championship*
21 *in any sport in the school's history;*

22 *Whereas, Although the winning shot can be taken by only*



1 *one player, this victory was truly a team effort;*

2 *Whereas, Chris Murff led the Tigers with 13 points, nearly*
 3 *three times his season average, with Sincere McMahon*
 4 *adding 10 points, Eric Hunter 8, Joe Johnson 7, K.J.*
 5 *Coleman 6, Hunter White 5, and Tyler Young 2;*

6 *Whereas, The Tindley basketball program has been under*
 7 *the watchful eye of head coach Robert Wonnell for 10 years;*
 8 *Coach Wonnell has developed a strong program that will*
 9 *keep the Tigers competitive well into the future;*

10 *Whereas, Coach Wonnell took over the program in 2007,*
 11 *prior to the Tigers' first full IHSAA campaign, and has taken*
 12 *them from 8-13 that first year, to back-to-back-to-back*
 13 *sectional crowns, to a state championship;*

14 *Whereas, While the Tigers are all outstanding athletes, they*
 15 *are equally outstanding students;*

16 *Whereas, Members of the basketball team participate in the*
 17 *Reclaiming the Village Rites of Passage Program that*
 18 *introduces and teaches leadership and life skills and is*
 19 *operated by the External Affairs Department of the Health*
 20 *and Hospital Corporation of Marion County;*

21 *Whereas, The talent, dedication, hard work, and*
 22 *togetherness of the Tindley Tigers and their coaches have*
 23 *produced outstanding achievements throughout the*
 24 *basketball season, including a 24-5 season record; and*

25 *Whereas, Outstanding accomplishments such as this*
 26 *deserve special recognition: Therefore,*

27 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives*
 28 *of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,*
 29 *the Senate concurring:*

30 SECTION 1. That the members of the Indiana General Assembly
 31 congratulate the Charles A. Tindley Accelerated School's boys
 32 basketball team on its Class A state championship and recognize its
 33 outstanding accomplishments throughout the season. The members also
 34 wish the players continued success in all their future endeavors both on
 35 and off the basketball court.



1 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
2 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to team members Joe
3 Johnson, Hunter White, KJ Coleman, Eric Hunter, Chris Murff, Sincere
4 McMahon, Tyler Young, Josiah Poole, Andrew Knox, Mekhi Caldwell,
5 Keith Malone, and Adedotun Adebemigun; team managers Bobby
6 Wonnell, Jeremiah Jones, and Justice Johnson; athletic trainer Felicia
7 Dunn; head coach Robert Wonnell; assistant coaches Marcel Bonds
8 and Geordan Coleman; and principal Marlon Llewellyn.

