

A RESOLUTION honoring the Cordia boys' basketball team upon winning the All "A" Classic championship.

WHEREAS, the All "A" Classic was formed in 1980 to reward small high schools in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Cordia School is located in Knott County, Kentucky and has an enrollment of just 247 students; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2016, at the Frankfort Convention Center in Frankfort, Kentucky, the Cordia boys' basketball team won the All "A" title for the first time in school history; and

WHEREAS, the title was Cordia's first state title in any sport since 1997, and was a culmination of the hard work, determination, and effort that have seen the program rise from unfortunate circumstances to this extraordinary accomplishment; and

WHEREAS, the Lions defeated Murray High School 62-45 in the title game and were led by Anthony Nelson, who was named Most Valuable Player of the tournament. Ramon Mercado added 12 points and Kareem McDonald contributed 11, as Oumar Keita tied for the team lead in rebounds with six; and

WHEREAS, this honorable body hereby congratulates Cordia High School upon their All "A" championship; grants them best wishes as they continue their historic season; and commends their coach, former University of Kentucky Wildcat Rodrick Rhodes, and his staff for the exemplary work they have done to help mold these young men into champions;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. The members of the Senate honor the Cordia boys' basketball team upon winning the 2016 All "A" Classic.

➔Section 2. When the Senate adjourns this day, it does so in honor of the Cordia

boys' basketball team.

→Section 3. The Clerk of Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Senator Johnny Ray Turner for delivery.