2022 Regular Session

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 32** 

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHLEGEL, HILFERTY, ILLG, LANDRY, THOMAS, AND VILLIO

## A RESOLUTION

To commend St. Mary's Dominican High School soccer team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association 2022 Division I state championship.

WHEREAS, St. Mary's Dominican High School soccer team captured the 2022 Division I state title in girls' soccer by defeating St. Joseph's Academy, 3-1, in the championship game held at Strawberry Stadium in Hammond; and

WHEREAS, Dominican redeemed themselves after losing an overtime thriller to Mt. Carmel girls' soccer team in last season's championship match; and

WHEREAS, several members of the Dominican soccer team joined the varsity squad as eighth graders and saw their squad advance one step closer to the championship each year; with the help of their teammates and coaches, those young women were able to enjoy the ultimate reward for their inspiring commitment and perseverance; and

WHEREAS, Dominican was led all season by Louisiana State University-signee Kelsey Major; she scored one of the team's back-to-back goals in the first half, giving her a remarkable thirty-eight goals in the season; Ella Goings is credited with the other first-half goal, while Morgan Trauth added an insurance goal in the final ten minutes of the match to make the final score 3-1; and

WHEREAS, on the defensive end, Dominican Junior goalkeeper Olivia Icamina made an impressive save when she reached out to stop a shot off of a free kick with little time remaining in the match; in total, the Dominican defense held St. Joseph's to seven shot attempts, four on-goal shot attempts, and one goal; and

WHEREAS, St. Mary's Dominican High School soccer team finished the 2021-2022 season with twenty-four total wins, no losses, and one tie; they were undefeated in district play with a record of five wins and no losses; and

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WHEREAS, Dominican Head Coach Al Silvas and assistant coaches Catherine Brousse, Maddie Wadkins, and Todd Weidenbacher prepared the team for each challenge they faced throughout the season; Peyton Palermo, the team trainer, also played a vital role in keeping the players healthy and in proper fitness for competition; and

WHEREAS, St. Mary's Dominican High School soccer team won this title as a result of the collective efforts of the entire team; these young women are most deserving of the highest recognition for their inspiring display of dedication and perseverance.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend St. Mary's Dominican High School soccer team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association 2022 Division I state championship and does hereby extend sincerest wishes that all of the members of the team maintain the level of passion for all things they hope to achieve so that they might experience the joy of success many more times in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the coach of St. Mary's Dominican High School soccer team.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES