

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 39

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Riverside Academy High School boys' basketball team upon winning their second consecutive Class 2A state championship and to congratulate the Riverside Academy Runnin' Rebels on an outstanding 2013-2014 season.

WHEREAS, the Riverside Academy High School boys' basketball team has ascended to a place of prominence in the ranks of Louisiana high school basketball by winning the Class 2A state championship title in two consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, the Runnin' Rebels basketball season was nothing short of sensational when the Rebels defeated St. Thomas Aquinas High School with a final score of 60-49 at Fant-Ewing Coliseum in Monroe, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the 2013 championship title was earned with the incredible success of the team's coaching staff and members who participated in the championship game, including head coach Timmy Byrd, assistant coaches Kevin Branch and Mike Sutton, team members Herbert McGee, Deuce Wallace, Curtis Thomas, Darrion Cook, Cory Costanza, Malik Crowfield, Charvon Julien, Jake Venus, Jacorey Haynes, Timmy Perrilloux, and Jordan Andrews; and

WHEREAS, the 2013-2014 team members and coaching staff also merit recognition and congratulations for their outstanding performance and competitive spirit that has lead them to capture a second Class 2A state championship; among those coaches and members are head coach Timmy Byrd, assistant coaches Kevin Branch and Mike Sutton, members Herbert McGee, Deuce Wallace, Curtis Thomas, Darrion Cook, Jake Venus, Charvon Julien, Jared Butler, Joe Anderson, Malik Crowfield, Jalen Banks, Jacorey Haynes, Kendall Martin, Jordan Andrews, Richie George, and Kim Solomon; and

WHEREAS, the Runnin' Rebels ran past the Lakeview Gators on Saturday, March 15, 2014, in the state championship game to capture an 88-75 victory; and

WHEREAS, the Rebels were led by sophomore team member and most outstanding player, Malik Crowfield, who finished with a game-high of thirty-five points while adding twelve rebounds; junior Jordan Andrews who gave the Rebels the game lead with his second fourth-quarter three pointer, and sophomore Herbert McGee who contributed several key layups throughout the thrilling fourth quarter, while junior Charvon Julien played his vital role as floor general; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana House of Representatives wishes to recognize the two-time state champion Rebels and commends the entire team for the ability they have displayed at this difficult level of competition for two consecutive years and to express sincere and heartfelt congratulations to the team members and coaching staff for the merits earned and the sportsmanship shown while achieving this high honor for their school and local community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Riverside Academy High School boys' basketball team upon its memorable and historic victory in the 2013 and 2014 Class 2A state championships and does hereby extend best wishes to the players, coaches, and everyone involved with this prestigious basketball program as they celebrate their exceptional achievements and prepare for continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that suitable copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the principal, Dr. Perry DiCarlo, of Riverside Academy and to the coaches and members of the Runnin' Rebels boys' basketball team.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES