

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 63

BY SENATOR SEABAUGH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the Zwolle High School boys basketball team on their 17th state championship.

WHEREAS, Zwolle High School is a basketball dynasty that has been winning boys basketball titles for decades; and

WHEREAS, the legacy of championship excellence for the Zwolle Hawks began in 1968, when they secured their first boys basketball state title by triumphing over district rival Florien in the Class B title game; and

WHEREAS, this initial success set the stage for further triumphs, notably in 1985, when the Hawks once again claimed the championship, foreshadowing a remarkable era of dominance; and

WHEREAS, from 1988 to 1994, the Hawks embarked on a historic run, clinching seven consecutive championships in Classes B and AA, establishing themselves as a powerhouse in Louisiana high school boys basketball; and

WHEREAS, under the guidance of Coach Bradley McLaren, the Hawks continued their winning ways, capturing the state title in 2006, marking their 10th championship and the beginning of a new era of success; and

WHEREAS, Coach McLaren's leadership has been instrumental in guiding the Hawks to further victories, with additional state titles secured in 2007, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2017, 2023, and now, in 2024; and

WHEREAS, while the Hawks have consistently showcased their prowess by earning numerous appearances in the state championships, it is worth noting their resilience and determination, evident in their six state runner-up titles earned since 1968; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 boys basketball state championship victory is a landmark achievement for Zwolle, Louisiana, and the entire state, marking the Hawks' 17th state championship title and placing them at the summit of Louisiana high school boys basketball, with no other school having achieved more than 16 state championships; and

WHEREAS, this historic accomplishment is a testament to the dedication, skill, and spirit of the Zwolle community, players, coaches, and supporters, who have united behind the Hawks' tradition of excellence.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate the Zwolle High School boys basketball team on their 17th state championship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Coach Bradley McLaren and the Zwolle High School boys basketball team.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES