

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 191

BY SENATOR BARROW

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Zachary High School Broncos football team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association Class 5A state football championship for the second time in three years.

WHEREAS, the Zachary High School Broncos defeated Hahnville High School in the Superdome by a score of 34 to 14 on December 9, 2017, to earn their second Class 5A state championship in three years; and

WHEREAS, the Broncos were led by sophomore quarterback, Keilon Brown who ran for one hundred eighty-nine yards on fifteen carries and he scored one touchdown, leading his team with his skills and by example; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his contribution as a ball carrier, Keilon Brown threw for an additional fifty-five yards and one touchdown, while completing five of thirteen passes; and

WHEREAS, clearly, Keilon Brown was the most effective player on the field on this biggest of all stages for high school football in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Keilon Brown carved his own place in the history of Zachary football, where the standards for quarterbacks are very high, with his sophomore performance in the championship game and throughout the season, remaining poised and focused which led to a satisfying win for all in the Zachary High School family; and

WHEREAS, Zachary High School Head Coach David Brewerton expressed pride and gratitude in assessing the sophomore quarterback's championship performance, praising his acceptance of the pressure on him and the comfort he feels in having this young man as his signal caller for the next two years; and

WHEREAS, the Zachary High School football program and the entire school are unifying factors and sources of great civic pride in the close-knit city in the northern part of East Baton Rouge Parish; and

WHEREAS, Keilon Brown acknowledged the pressure on him at the quarterback position, but he gave credit to all his fellow Broncos by stating that "it was a team win" and alluded to the positive atmosphere encouraged by the coaching staff who stress that moving on to the next play and staying positive are essential for a winning effort; and

WHEREAS, Zachary senior running back, Darweshi Sanders was also a potent weapon for the Broncos in the championship game; and

WHEREAS, the Bronco defense came up with key turnovers, none more important than the one coming in the closing minutes of the game, as Chris Hart recovered a fumble by the Hahnville Tigers and returned it for a touchdown, sealing the win for the Zachary football team; and

WHEREAS, with this second Louisiana State Athletic Association Class 5A state football championship, the Zachary High School 2017 team and coaches brought a sense of both excitement and pride to the citizens of the East Baton Rouge Parish municipality which will affect the entire citizenry long into the future, a gift which serves both the school and the community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Zachary High School Broncos football team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association Class 5A state championship for the second time in three years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Head Coach David Brewerton in care of Zachary High School on behalf of the entire football team.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE