

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 204

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A RESOLUTION

To commend the St. Charles Catholic High School Comets baseball team on winning the 2019 Allstate Sugar Bowl LHSAA Division II State Championship.

WHEREAS, the St. Charles Catholic High School Comets performed at the highest level of excellence and put on a display worthy of the title of champions; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Wayne Stein and his staff led the Comets baseball team to a thrilling victory over the top-seeded University High Cubs by a score of 7-4 at McMurry Park in Sulphur on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, to claim their first title in school history; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Stein is the former player, the former assistant coach, and now head coach for the St. Charles Catholic High School Comets baseball team; and

WHEREAS, the amazing accomplishments of the team could not have been achieved without the guidance and skills of Head Coach Wayne Stein, and assistant coaches who have contributed to the success of the school's baseball program and are worthy of mention for the long hours of practice and preparation that resulted in the team achieving its first state championship; and

WHEREAS, each student athlete on the St. Charles Catholic High School baseball team is notable and worthy of recognition, and the team has brought immense pride and distinguished honor to the school, community, and state; and

WHEREAS, nine-hole hitter T.J. Lasseigne started the rally with a one-out walk, moved to second on a wild pitch, and scored on a single to left field by Peyton Broussard; and

WHEREAS, Kaile Levatino hit a ground-rule double down the left field line; then Roddy Gilbert hit a line drive to right field that eluded the grasp of the University High right fielder, and rolled to the wall for a two-run triple to make the score 3-0; and

WHEREAS, senior Nick Lorio added an RBI single followed by an Ely Ory hit and a fielder's choice grounder to score a run by Joe Chiarella; then Caleb St. Martin delivered an RBI double to make the score 6-0; and

WHEREAS, senior Nick Lorio pitched a complete game, scattering 10 hits, to improve to 9-0; and

WHEREAS, senior Robby Gilbert earned the Most Outstanding Player honors after getting three hits and driving in three runs; and

WHEREAS, the St. Charles Catholic High School Comets defeated two-time defending state champion and third-seed Teurlings Catholic and No. 2-seed St. Thomas Moore before defeating the top-seeded University High Cubs; and

WHEREAS, the St. Charles Catholic High School baseball team brings honor and distinction, through its athletic excellence, to the school, the LaPlace community, and to the state of Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the St. Charles Catholic High School baseball team on winning the 2019 Division II State Championship and does hereby extend best wishes for continued success for the coaches and student athletes of this exceptional program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to St. Charles Catholic High School.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE