

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 9007

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Chuckey-Doak Middle School volleyball team on their second-place finish in the TMSAA Large School Sectionals State Tournament.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to specially honor and commend those successful school athletic teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary group of student athletes is the Chuckey-Doak Middle School volleyball team, which achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2021 season; and

WHEREAS, this impressive young team went 23-2 this season, placing first in the regular season after defeating South Greene Middle School to win the regular season championship for the first time since 2010; and

WHEREAS, after going 3-0 to win the conference tournament, Chuckey-Doak went 2-1, defeating John Sevier Middle School to finish second in the AA/AAA area tournament, thereafter knocking off South Greene once more in the semifinals before falling to Tennessee Middle in the championship; and

WHEREAS, in state tournament play, the Chuckey-Doak Middle School volleyball team defeated Sullivan Central in the semifinals in two sets before losing to Tennessee Middle in three sets in the championship match, ultimately claiming second place in the Tennessee Middle School Athletic Association (TMSAA) Large School Sectionals State Tournament; and

WHEREAS, all told, Chuckey-Doak went 48-6 in sets played this season, with records of 29-1 in sets played during the regular season, 6-1 in sets played during the conference

tournament, 4-2 in area tournament sets, and 9-2 in sets played in the sectional/state tournament; and

WHEREAS, this stellar group of athletes, led by Coach Kelley Alexander, includes Jacey Taylor, Kylee Shannon, Cristen Bishop, Chloe Kirkpatrick, Kenna Combs, and Addison Goodrich, as well as Addy Pruitt, Carlene Bishop, and Brylee Tullock, who were named to the All-State tournament team; and

WHEREAS, the young women of the Chuckey-Doak Middle School volleyball team displayed ability, teamwork, and perseverance, and, with the help of their coaches, parents, teachers, school administrators, supporters, and many fans, they represented their school and the State of Tennessee in fine fashion, displaying peerless character both on and off the court; and

WHEREAS, during this incredible championship season, the members of the Chuckey-Doak Middle School volleyball team etched their names into the annals of Tennessee sports history; their dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent not only made possible a successful and memorable volleyball season but also surely point toward their success in future endeavors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate the Chuckey-Doak Middle School volleyball team upon placing second in the TMSAA Large School Sectionals State Tournament and extend to the team's members our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.