

SENATE RESOLUTION 106

By Lamar

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the members and coaches of the Overton High School boys' basketball team upon winning the TSSAA Division I, Class 4A state championship.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should salute those student athletes who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as true champions of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary group of young athletes is the Overton High School boys' basketball team, whose members have all proven themselves to be the fiercest of competitors and truly worthy of admiration by winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Division I, Class 4A state championship; and

WHEREAS, capturing the program's first state title, the Overton Wolverines defeated Independence High School by a score of 69-57 in the championship game held in Murfreesboro at the Murphy Center on the campus of Middle Tennessee State University on March 18, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Wolverines finished the season with an overall record of 33-11, having rampaged through the state tournament with wins over McMinn County High School (74-55) and Hillsboro High School (71-61) on their march to the championship game; and

WHEREAS, Overton High was led by tournament MVP Jordan Frison, who was joined on the all-tournament team by teammates Jailen Hardaway and Xavier Alexander; and

WHEREAS, the members of the state champion Overton High School Wolverines basketball team include Xavier Alexander, Cordell Bailey, Jordan Frison, Jailen Hardaway, Erin Hardrick, Dreshun Motley, Gary Greer, Jeremiah Fullilove, Watson Bledsoe, Jashawn Weeden, and Qua' Tavius Gatewood; and

WHEREAS, the Overton Wolverines enjoyed the stellar leadership and extensive basketball knowledge of Head Coach Shelvie Rose and assistant coaches Robert Gary, Nicholas Grant, Preston Harris, Kelsi House, Darrius Hubbard, Terrance Moore, and Darren Word; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Overton High School boys' basketball team epitomize all that is good in today's student athletes, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character in all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young men not only made possible a championship season but also surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Overton High School boys' basketball team for serving as exemplars of the high quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and commend the members and coaches of the Overton High School boys' basketball team upon winning the TSSAA Division I, Class 4A state championship and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.