

A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

April 4, 2023

To recognize and honor Bard High School Early College DC for winning the 2023 DCIAA and DCSAA Class A championships for boys' basketball.

WHEREAS, Bard HS Early College DC defeated SEED DC, 67-64, to win the District of Columbia State Athletic Association (DCSAA) Class A boys basketball championship on Sunday, March 5, 2023;

WHEREAS, four players for Bard scored in double figures in the championship game, including Nate Pondexter with 18 points and 8 rebounds, Steven Lamar with 12 points, and Damari Thompson with 11 points and the shot that gave his team the lead very late in the game, while Kwari Harvey had 8 points and 9 assists;

WHEREAS, Bard defeated Banneker Academic High School, 63-60, and Idea Public Charter School, 58-53, in the DCSAA playoffs to reach the Class A title game;

WHEREAS, Bard defeated McKinley Technology HS, 54-44, to win the District of Columbia Interscholastic Athletic Association (DCIAA) boys basketball championship on Saturday, February 18, 2023;

WHEREAS, DeAngelo Fogle scored 18 points and earned the Game MVP honors;

WHEREAS, Bard, seeded fifth in the DCIAA playoffs, accomplished 3 straight upsets to win the title, defeating fourth-seeded Anacostia High School, 69-68, and top-seeded Jackson-Reed High School, 71-65, before their win against third-seeded McKinley Tech;

WHEREAS, Bard finished the season with a 24-7 record and won its first-ever DCIAA and DCSAA boys basketball championships, respectively, in its first year in its new school in Ward 8;

WHEREAS, head coach and athletic director Malcolm Battle has been a successful coach and mentor in the Washington, DC community for many years, serving as the head basketball coach at Cesar Chavez Public Charter School prior to working at Bard.

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RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Bard High School Early College DC DCIAA and DCSAA Basketball Championship Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia honors and celebrates the contributions of Bard High School Early College DC to the District and the surrounding Ward 8 community and congratulates them on winning the 2023 DCIAA and DCSAA Class A championships for boy’s basketball.

Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.