

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 252

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A RESOLUTION to honor the Summertown High School Lady Eagles on finishing third in the TSSAA Class A State Tournament.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pay tribute to those exemplary student athletes who have attained the pinnacle of competition, thus bringing honor and acclaim to the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Summertown High School Lady Eagles, coached by Craig McGill, epitomize excellence both on and off the basketball court; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Eagles enjoyed remarkable success this season, capturing district and regional crowns and advancing to the state tournament, where they finished third; and

WHEREAS, Coach McGill and Summertown compiled an overall record of 26-10 and went 8-2 in district action to claim the District 12-A regular season title; and

WHEREAS, Summertown was led by the awe-inspiring play of District 12-A Most Valuable Player Lauren Graves, who set a single-game school record versus Frank Hughes by draining 11 three-point shots; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Eagles finished second in the district tournament but quickly rebounded from that disappointment to win the Region 6-A Championship by besting Perry County 67-54; and

WHEREAS, in the sectional round, the Lady Eagles beat Moore County 43-32 to advance to the state tourney; and

WHEREAS, in the TSSAA Class A State Tournament quarterfinals, the Summertown Lady Eagles were matched up against the formidable Dresden Lady Lions, who despite their best efforts fell to the youth movement employed by Summertown; and

WHEREAS, led by two eighth-graders, Jenna Brazier (17 points, 1 assist) and Kaley Campbell (11 points, 5 rebounds, 2 assists), and a point guard battling stomach flu, Reily Brazier (10 points, 2 rebounds, 1 assist), the Lady Eagles soared over the competition to emerge victorious by a score of 64-52; and

WHEREAS, in the semifinal round, Summertown came up short against the eventual state champions despite an outstanding effort by senior Madison Dinwiddie; playing in her final game for the Lady Eagles, Madison recorded 22 points, 4 rebounds, and 1 assist while playing 30 of 32 minutes of game time; and

WHEREAS, the other members of the district and regional champion Summertown squad are: Taytum McGill, Hayley Durham, A.J. Nelson, Rachel Barker, Alexis Perry, Kylie Rosson, Haley Brown, Josie Franks, Ashlee Pimental, Hailey Jones, Brooklyn Gabel, Cheyenne Jones, and Anisten Burleson; and

WHEREAS, during this outstanding season, the Lady Eagles were blessed with the talent and motivational skills of head coach, Craig McGill; and

WHEREAS, the entire Summertown community is very proud of the Lady Eagles and their magical 2016-2017 season and so are the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Coach Craig McGill and the Summertown High School Lady Eagles girls' basketball team on reaching the semi-finals and finishing third in the TSSAA Class A State Tournament and extend to them our best wishes for continued success next season.

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