

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1050

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the members and coaches of the Pickett County High School Lady Bobcats girls' basketball team upon winning the TSSAA Class A State Tournament.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly 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 women is the Pickett County High School Lady Bobcats basketball team, whose members have proven themselves to be the fiercest of competitors and truly worthy of admiration by claiming the TSSAA Class A Tournament championship for the sixth time in school history; and

WHEREAS, a veritable powerhouse in Tennessee girls' high school basketball, Pickett County advanced to the State Tournament after winning the District 7 and Region 4 championships; and

WHEREAS, within the friendly confines of Middle Tennessee State University's Murphy Center, the Lady Bobcats blasted Cloudland 54-31 in the quarterfinals, defeated Wayne County 59-54 in the semifinals, and topped Moore County 56-45 in the final game to be crowned state champions; and

WHEREAS, junior Callie Reeder was named State Tournament Most Valuable Player after leading her team to victory in the final with a 12-point 8-rebound performance; and

WHEREAS, the Pickett County Lady Bobcats finished the season with an impressive record of 29-2 and their school's sixth state championship; and

WHEREAS, each Pickett County player contributed significantly to the overall success of the team and is worthy of our approbation; the young women who are proud to call themselves

Lady Bobcats include Ella Keisling, Allie Amonett, Emmy Lowe, Callie Reeder, Kaylee Tompkins, Zoey Nicholas, Addy Lowe, Kylie Wood, and Emma Tompkins and team managers, Nikki Gunter, Addie Keisling, and Ava Keisling; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Bobcats' superb performance would not have been possible without the stellar leadership of Coach Brent Smith and his assistant coach, Rochelle Mason, and the unfailing support of their families, their fans, and the Pickett County community; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Pickett County High School girls' 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 women not only made possible a district championship but also surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Pickett County Lady Bobcats for their championship season on the hardwood; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the members and coaches of the Pickett County High School Lady Bobcats girls' basketball team upon winning the TSSAA Class A State Tournament 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 and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

