

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 417

Commending and congratulating North Carolina Central University's football team for winning the 2022 Historically Black Colleges and Universities National Football Championship in the 2022 Celebration Bowl.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 17, 2023

Mrs. FOUSHEE (for herself, Mr. NICKEL, Mr. HUDSON, Ms. ROSS, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. JACKSON of North Carolina, Ms. MANNING, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. FOXX, and Mr. EDWARDS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

RESOLUTION

Commending and congratulating North Carolina Central University's football team for winning the 2022 Historically Black Colleges and Universities National Football Championship in the 2022 Celebration Bowl.

Whereas the Celebration Bowl is the event in which the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division 1's two most prestigious Historically Black Colleges and Universities conferences compete for the National Championship;

Whereas North Carolina Central University's Eagles claimed the 2022 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Championship

and Jackson State University's Tigers won the Southwestern Athletic Conference Championship;

Whereas, on Saturday, December 17, 2022, North Carolina Central University's Eagles defeated Jackson State University with a 41–34 overtime victory at Mercedes Benz Stadium in Atlanta, Georgia;

Whereas this is North Carolina Central University's fourth Black College Football National Title, in addition to those won in 1954, 2005, and 2006;

Whereas North Carolina Central University Head Coach and alumnus, Trei Oliver, has achieved five Conference Championships and three Black College Football National Titles in his 20 years of coaching;

Whereas North Carolina Central University quarterback Davius Richard and defensive back Khalil Baker were named the Most Valuable Players of the 2022 Celebration Bowl;

Whereas quarterback Davius Richard sealed victory for the Eagles with a rushing touchdown and a successful extra point attempt by placekicker Adrian Olivo in overtime; and

Whereas the 2022 Eagles are the third roster in North Carolina Central University football history to reach double-figure victories with 10 wins and 2 losses in a season: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) commends North Carolina Central Univer-
- 3 sity's football team for winning the 2022 Celebration
- 4 Bowl;

1 (2) congratulates the fans, students, and fac-
2 ulty of North Carolina Central University; and

3 (3) respectfully requests that the Clerk of the
4 House of Representatives transmit an enrolled copy
5 of this resolution to—

6 (A) the Chancellor of North Carolina Cen-
7 tral University, Dr. Johnson Akinleye;

8 (B) the Provost of North Carolina Central
9 University, Dr. David H. Jackson; and

10 (C) the Head Coach of North Carolina
11 Central University's football team, Trei Oliver.

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