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8 COMMENDING THE WOODLAND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL
9 TEAM ON WINNING THE CLASS 2A STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

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11 WHEREAS, it is with great pride and pleasure that
12 the Woodland High School Girls Basketball Team is
13 congratulated on winning the 2013 Class 2A State Championship;
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15 WHEREAS, the Woodland Lady Bobcats made history by
16 overcoming undefeated Prattville Christian High School, 64-53,
17 in the final game and winning the first State Championship not
18 only for the basketball program but for any sport at Woodland
19 High School, after several runner-up finishes; and

20 WHEREAS, significant contributions were made by
21 every player and by all those whose support is crucial to
22 producing a winning team; and

23 WHEREAS, the roster includes Leah Strain, who was
24 named Tournament Most Valuable Player, and her cousins, Amy
25 Strain, Shanna Strain, and Shalyn Strain, along with Bailee
26 Copeland, Paige Smith, Jordan Williamson, Ami Birchfield, Adre

Bowen, Katelyn Sicotte, Laura Gembe, Jaide Walker, MaKayla Ford, Jaycee Carter, Lauren Ware, and Madison Story; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of these outstanding young student-athletes are the source of justifiable pride to their families, their school, and the entire community of loyal fans; and

WHEREAS, exceptional leadership was provided by Coach Larry Strain, who also holds the distinction of being the father of Leah and uncle of Amy, Shanna, and Shalyn, as well as the inspirational mentor of every player; and

WHEREAS, with each game played in the spirit and tradition of good sportsmanship and fair play, the Woodland High School Girls Basketball Team is indeed to be praised for achieving the coveted goal of the State Championship; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Woodland High School Girls Basketball team is hereby most highly commended and heartily congratulated for winning the 2013 Class 2A State Championship and it is directed that a copy of this resolution be provided to the school for appropriate display, with best wishes for success in all future endeavors.