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By Representative Blackshear

RFD: RULES

First Read: 27-Feb-24

COMMENDING THE 2023 CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL RED DEVIL FOOTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE ALABAMA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION CLASS 7A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ON DECEMBER 6, 2023.

WHEREAS, highest congratulations are herein proudly presented to the Central High School Varsity Football Team for winning the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) Class 7A State Championship Title on December 6, 2023, at Bryant-Denny Stadium in Tuscaloosa, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, through teamwork, diligence, and a commitment to excellence, the Central High School Red Devils Varsity Football Team from Phenix City gave an incredible performance and defeated the Thompson High School Warriors from Alabaster 21-19; this is the third time they have won the State Championship in the past 30 years; and

WHEREAS, during the 2023-2024 season, the Red Devils rushed for 2,120 yards and threw for 3,696 yards totaling 5,816 yards gained and averaging 42.8 points per game; they held their opponents to an average total of 12 points per game, forced 16 turnovers, made 42 sacks, 134 tackles for a loss, and recorded two shutouts; made 73 of 77 extra point attempts, five out of eight field goal attempts, and punted for an average of 30 yards; and they posted an undefeated season at 13-0; and

WHEREAS, the Central High School Red Devil Varsity

Football Team finished the season ranked #25 in the USA Today High School Sports Super 25; and the Red Devils were proud to secure the #1 spot in the MaxPreps Alabama Division 7A rankings; and

WHEREAS, the Central High School Varsity Football Team's outstanding season was accomplished under the expert coaching and guidance provided by Head Coach Patrick Nix and his coaching staff; under their leadership the players have broadened their knowledge of the game, refined their skills in execution, and continued a tradition of superior play and true sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, the Central High School Red Devils' noteworthy success is a tremendous source of pride for their families, classmates, and the entire community, whose dedication and support have played a crucial role in motivating the team; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Central High School Varsity Football State Championship Team is highly congratulated, and we hereby dedicate this resolution to the team members, coaches, and Principal with utmost admiration, along with sincere best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and was passed by the House 28-Feb-24.

John Treadwell
Clerk

Senate **19-Mar-24** Adopted