

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 217

By Pody

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Watertown High School girls' basketball team for winning the TSSAA District 8A Championship and the KSA Christmas Classic Tournament at Walt Disney World.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those student-athletes who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as true champions of whom we all can be proud; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Watertown High School girls' basketball team have proven themselves to be the fiercest of competitors and, as such, deserving of the highest regard, as they recently won the TSSAA District 8A Championship and the KSA Christmas Classic Tournament at Walt Disney World; and

WHEREAS, guided by the leadership and knowledge of head coach Lane Price and his assistant coaches, Randy Dye and Sarah Reeder, the Watertown High School girls' basketball team played with ability and fortitude, amassing an overall record during the 2014–2015 season of twenty-one wins to only nine losses, and a district record of seven wins to one loss, on their way to capturing the TSSAA District 8A Championship; and

WHEREAS, in addition to their sterling season and postseason, the Watertown High girls' team also competed in the KSA Christmas Classic Tournament in Orlando, Florida, December 16–21, 2014. The Watertown team represented their community, Wilson County, and this State with aplomb, defeating teams from New York and Newfoundland, Canada, to capture the tournament championship; and

WHEREAS, the members of this championship team are Bay Cole, Katie Dalton, Jenna Haun, Jasmine High, Shelby Mofield, Dae Dae Nunley, Bobbi Staats, Claire Edwards, Mya

Gaines, Taylor Godsey, Mya Huddleston, Lauren Robertson, Amber Wright, Brenna Luttrell, Halie Tunks, and Meaghan Nix; and

WHEREAS, several of the Watertown players were recognized throughout the season for their outstanding play. Bobbi Staats, Jasmine High, and Bay Cole were named as All-District Players; Dae Dae Nunley garnered District and Tournament Most Valuable Player; Bobbi Staats, Jasmine High, and Katie Dalton were chosen as All-Tournament Players; and Bay Cole was named as the KSA Tournament Most Valuable Player; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Watertown High School girls' basketball team epitomize all that is good in today's student-athlete, as they 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 championship season, but also surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to pause in their deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Watertown High School girls' basketball team for their outstanding performance, and for serving as examples of the exceptional quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate the coaches and members of the Watertown High School girls' basketball team upon winning the TSSAA District 8A Championship and the KSA Christmas Classic Tournament at Walt Disney World, 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.