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House Resolution

A resolution honoring the Gulf Coast Community College Lady Commodores Women's Basketball Team.

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WHEREAS, under Head Coach Mary "Roonie" Scovel and Assistant Coach Grover Hicks, Jr., the Gulf Coast Community College Lady Commodores Women's Basketball Team has compiled a season record of 36 wins and 1 loss, and

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WHEREAS, in addition, Coach Scovel has an astonishing career record of 363 wins and 40 losses, and

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WHEREAS, the Gulf Coast Community College Lady Commodores have accumulated numerous team and individual honors, among which are winning the 2008 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Women's Division I Tournament Championship, their second national championship, and the 2008 Florida Community College Athletic Association (FCCAA) Women's State Tournament Championship, and

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WHEREAS, in both associations, Coach Scovel received NCJAA Coach of the Tournament and FCCAA Coach of the Tournament honors, and

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WHEREAS, the Gulf Coast Community College Lady Commodores were also 2008 Region VIII Panhandle Conference Champions, their eleventh straight win as conference champions, with Coach Scovel also receiving Panhandle Conference Coach of the Year honors, and

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> WHEREAS, individual team honors bestowed by the National Junior College Athletic Association include the NJCAA Tournament

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Most Valuable Player award to Dee Liles and NJCAA All-Tournament Team designations to Jackie Sanders and Janae' Stokes, and

WHEREAS, individual team honors bestowed by the Florida Community College Athletic Association include the FCCAA Region VIII Tournament Most Valuable Player award to Jackie Sanders and FCCAA Region VIII All-Tournament Team designations to Dee Liles and Janae' Stokes, and

WHEREAS, Panhandle Conference Awards included First-Team
All Conference designations to Alexis Givands, Chimere Jordan,
Dee Liles, Janea' Stokes, and

WHEREAS, Dee Liles also received the Women's Basketball Coaches Association/State Farm National Junior College Player of the Year award, and

WHEREAS, team members Valarie Blackwood, Nadirah Gardner, Alexis Givands, Nykita Gordon, Sabrina Johnson, Kimberly Jones, Chimere Jordan, Ashlee Kelly, DeMauria "Dee" Liles, Brittney Moore, Ashley Ogletree, Jackie Sanders, and Cornelia "Janae'" Stokes, are to be commended for their numerous accomplishments, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

That the players, coaches, and staff of the Gulf Coast
Community College Women's Basketball Team are hereby honored for
their numerous accomplishments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Valarie Blackwood, Nadirah Gardner, Alexis Givands,

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Nykita Gordon, Sabrina Johnson, Kimberly Jones, Chimere Jordan, Ashlee Kelly, DeMauria "Dee" Liles, Brittney Moore, Ashley Ogletree, Jackie Sanders, Cornelia "Janae'" Stokes, Head Coach Mary "Roonie" Scovel, and Assistant Coach Grover Hicks, Jr., as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.

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