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House Resolution

A resolution honoring the 2010-2011 Pensacola State College Lady Pirates Women's Basketball Team.

WHEREAS, riding the wave of a phenomenal undefeated season record of 29 consecutive regular season wins, the Pensacola State College Lady Pirates forged ahead to win the Florida Community College Activities Association State Championship, their first state championship in 26 years, earning the Lady Pirates their first trip to the National Junior College Athletic Association National Championship since 1985, and

WHEREAS, under Head Coach Chanda Rigby, 2010-2011 FCCAA All-Panhandle Conference Women's Basketball Coach of the Year and FCSAA All-Tournament Women's Basketball Coach of the Year; Assistant Coaches Kayla Ard and Latoya Thomas; Athletic Director Bill Hamilton; and President Ed Meadows, the Lady Pirates completed an amazing season record of 35 wins and only 1 loss, and

WHEREAS, the Pensacola State College Lady Pirates have accumulated numerous team and individual honors, including representing the State of Florida with their participation in the National Junior College Athletic Association National Championship with a tournament record of 3 wins and 1 loss, and

WHEREAS, with exceptional coaching comes extraordinary players as displayed by Lady Pirates team members Brandy Broome, Meghan Perkins, Jessica Merritt, Ashley Olvera, Natalie Burke, Tawanna Lee, Najat Ouardad, Patricia Bright, Darnisha Hamilton,

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28 Jenisha Jackson, and Karneshia Garrett, whose outstanding
29 athletic teamwork exemplifies superior sportsmanship, and
30 WHEREAS, the Lady Pirates individual and team
31 accomplishments are vast and include awards to Jessica Merritt,
32 All-American and All-State Player and All-Panhandle Conference
33 and Florida State Tournament Most Valuable Player; Meghan
34 Perkins, All-American and All-State Player and Florida State
35 College Athletic Association Player of the Year; and an All-
36 Panhandle Conference Team comprised of Lady Pirates players
37 Karneshia Garrett, Najat Ouardad, Meghan Perkins, Jessica
38 Merritt, Brandy Broome, Tawanna Lee, Ashley Olvera, and Darnisha
39 Hamilton, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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44 That it is with great pride that the 2010-2011 Pensacola
45 State College Lady Pirates Women's Basketball Team is applauded
46 for the numerous accomplishments of its players and coaches.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
48 presented to each team member and coach of the 2010-2011
49 Pensacola State College Lady Pirates Women's Basketball Team as
50 a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.