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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Schlarman Academy
4 girls basketball team, the Hilltoppers, on winning the
5 2017-2018 Illinois High School Association Class 1A State
6 Championship; and

7 WHEREAS, The Hilltoppers defeated Stockton High School by a
8 score of 53 to 31 on February 24, 2018 at Illinois State
9 University Redbird Arena in Normal; and

10 WHEREAS, This is the first girls basketball state title for
11 Schlarman Academy and the first for the school since 1981;
12 Schlarman Academy is a faith-based, preschool through high
13 school educational community that promotes spiritual,
14 intellectual, physical, and moral development in a dynamic
15 climate of academic excellence centered on Christian values and
16 the Catholic tradition; it is located in Danville and has a
17 student body of 99; and

18 WHEREAS, The Hilltoppers are Cece Damilano, Sydney Gouard,
19 Capria Brown, Anaya Peoples, Tannah Ceader, Janiah Newell, Emma
20 Bogan, Suzet Semersheim, McKaylee Allen, and Destiny Dye; and

21 WHEREAS, The Hilltoppers are coached by Head Coach Keith

1 Peoples and assistant coaches Jerry O'Neill, David Gouard,
2 Ollie Harrison, and LaTana Lillard; the managers are Ana
3 Fitzgerald, Mollie DeBoard, and Elizabeth Stimac; the
4 principal is Gail Lewis, the athletic director is Phil Sexton,
5 and the dean is Mark Croy; and

6 WHEREAS, The Hilltopper cheerleaders are Jaida Green,
7 Ainslee Johnson, Jayden King, Tamara Kriening, Sarah Lukas,
8 Sara Switzer, Elijah Williams, Winne Zheng, and Jessalyn
9 Gonzalez; they are coached by Alicia Moody; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
11 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
12 congratulate the Schlarman Academy girls basketball team, the
13 Hilltoppers, on winning the 2017-2018 Illinois High School
14 Association Class 1A State Championship; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
16 presented to the Hilltoppers and their coaches as a symbol of
17 our respect and esteem.