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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the members and
4 coaches of the Rock Island Rocks boys' basketball team on the
5 occasion of winning the 2011 Illinois State High School
6 Association Class 3A State Championship; and

7 WHEREAS, The Rock Island Rocks defeated the Centralia
8 Orphans 50-40 in a double overtime win to capture the State
9 Championship IHSA Class 3A State Basketball Tournament in
10 Peoria; and

11 WHEREAS, The 2010-2011 Rock Island Rocks earned the first
12 ever state title for Rock Island and became the first team from
13 the Quad Cities to claim first place in the boys' state
14 basketball tournament, something that has eluded the Quad
15 Cities for more than a century; and

16 WHEREAS, The Rock Island Rocks finished their incredible
17 season with an impressive 30-3 record, setting a program record
18 for single season wins and winning the second state title in
19 Western Big 6 Conference history; and

20 WHEREAS, The members of the Rock Island Rocks are Royce
21 Muskeyvalley, Cameron Ruiz, Romal Davis, Chasson Randle,

1 DaShawn Banks, Marquel Beasley, Devon Jones, Darquez Bonner,
2 Denzel McCauley, Greg Henderson, Keith Keesy, and Shaq Jalloh;
3 the team's head coach is Thom Sigel and the assistant coaches
4 are Dan Coyne-Logan and Toney Hickman; and

5 WHEREAS, Coach Thom Sigel is the first coach in state
6 history to win state titles with two different teams in two
7 different conference classes, having previously won a title
8 with Rock Falls in the 1999 Class A State Championship; and

9 WHEREAS, The members and coaches of the Rock Island Rocks
10 serve as models of hard work, integrity, and dedication for the
11 people of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
14 we congratulate the members and coaches of the Rock Island
15 Rocks boys' basketball team on the occasion of winning the 2011
16 Illinois State High School Association Class 3A State
17 Championship and wish them continued success and happiness in
18 the future; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the Rock Island Rocks as a symbol of our esteem
21 and respect.