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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Mt. Zion High School
4 boys basketball team, the Braves, on their historic 2023-2024
5 season; and

6 WHEREAS, The Braves went to the state tournament for the
7 first time in 20 years, making history every step of the way
8 and setting a school record for wins with 35 against only 3
9 losses; and

10 WHEREAS, The Braves had only one regular season loss,
11 which was in January to the defending Class 3A state champs;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, The Braves had a tournament win of 47 to 46 over
14 Centralia in the Class 3A Super-Sectional in Springfield,
15 which was the closest margin of victory all season; and

16 WHEREAS, The Braves won 33 of their 38 games this season by
17 double digits; and

18 WHEREAS, The Braves defeated their opponents by an average
19 margin of 22.6 points with a rotation of primarily
20 non-seniors; and

1 WHEREAS, Junior Lyncoln Koester and sophomore JC Anderson
2 led the team in scoring with 15.9 points per game and 14.7
3 points per game, respectively; and

4 WHEREAS, The Braves next two top scorers, Sam Driscoll and
5 Brayden Trimble, both juniors, helped the team tremendously;
6 the other players on the team contributing to the remarkable
7 season include Tucker Burrus, Makobi Adams, Chase Fink, Grant
8 McAtee, Landon Weigler, Jacob Harvey, Connor Fox, Gage Owens,
9 Will Grohne, Logan Auvil, and Ed Neighbors; and

10 WHEREAS, The Braves are led by Head Coach Dale Schuring
11 and Assistant Coaches Jay Driscoll and Mike Greer; and

12 WHEREAS, The Braves never quit and showed determination,
13 grit, and toughness every time it was needed; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
15 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
16 we congratulate the Mt. Zion High School boys basketball team,
17 the Braves, on their historic season, and we wish them many
18 more successful seasons to come; and be it further

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