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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives wish to congratulate the Arcola High School 4 Purple Riders on winning the 2015 Illinois High School 5 Association (IHSA) Class 1A State Championship in football; and

6 WHEREAS, This is the Purple Rider's 4th Class 1A State
7 Championship; they previously won the championship in 1978,
8 1985, and 1988; they finished 2nd in 1977, 1991, and 1995; and

WHEREAS, On their way to the championship, the Purple Riders outscored opponents 714, the third most points in IHSA history, to 78; they had a running clock against 12 of their 14 opponents; averaged 51 points per game, 7th most in IHSA history; scored 97 touchdowns, 3rd most in IHSA history, with 66 of those being rushing touchdowns, 7th most in IHSA history; and intercepted the ball 29 times, 8th most in IHSA history; they had 5,396 yards of offense on the season and held opponents to 1,329 yards; and

- 18 WHEREAS, The Purple Riders have the 3rd most wins in 19 football in the State; and
- 20 WHEREAS, The Purple Riders are Conner Strader, Clayton 21 Strader, Parker Ingram, Kollin Seaman, Martin Rund, Daniel

- 1 Mendoza, Victor Gonzalez, Myles Roberts, Blake Lindenmeyer,
- 2 Seth Still, Chase Strader, Mario Cortez, Sam Crane, Alec Downs,
- 3 Tony Salinas, Wyatt Fishel, Giovanni Salinas, Brandon Lebeter,
- 4 Cole Hutton, Rey Garza, Ethan Still, Mason Gentry, Javi Leal,
- 5 Pablo Rodriquez, Kaleb Byard, Jonny Garza, Dalton Pantier,
- 6 Gavin Coombe, Luke Spencer, Tito Garcia, Clayton Kuhring, Jack
- 7 Spencer, Alex Kauffman, Aaron Dudley, Grant McPherson, Jorge
- 8 Garza, and Jack Nacke; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Purple Riders head coach is Zach Zehr; the
- 10 assistant coaches are Tommy Eddleman, Jim Fishel, Aldo Garcia,
- 11 Chad Hopkins, Jarod Kiger, and John Lidy; therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 13 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 14 congratulate the Arcola High School Purple Riders on winning
- 15 the 2015 Illinois High School Association Class 1A State
- 16 Championship in football and we wish them many more years of
- 17 success; and be it further
- 18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 19 presented the Purple Riders as an expression of our esteem and
- 20 respect.