

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to honor milestones in high
4 school sports in the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, The Fenwick High School Girls Varsity Basketball
6 Team, the Friars, won the IHSA State Class AA Girls
7 Basketball Championship held in Redbird Arena in Normal,
8 Illinois, on March 3, 2001; and

9 WHEREAS, The Friars met the challenge by first defeating
10 their archrival, the Marshall Commandos, in the quarterfinal
11 game by the score of 63-54; they then defeated the New Trier
12 Trevians in the semi-final game by the score of 56-42;
13 finally, they faced the Neuqua Valley Wildcats in the final
14 game; in the end, the Wildcats were defeated by the final
15 score of 65-32, the most one-sided victory in Class AA
16 history; and sending home the Friars with the school's first
17 State Girls Basketball Championship; and

18 WHEREAS, The Friars victory capped off an outstanding
19 season; the 2000-2001 Fenwick Friars squad was ranked number
20 one not only in the State of Illinois, but also in the
21 country; and

22 WHEREAS, The coach of the Fenwick Friars, Dave Power,
23 became the first coach in Illinois history to win State
24 basketball championships with two different schools, Fenwick
25 in 2001 and Immaculate Heart of Mary in 1987; he also picked
26 up the 500th victory of his career during the playoffs; and

27 WHEREAS, The Friars team consists of Nicole Rivera,
28 Kristin Heidloff, Breanne Smilie, Ravon Gengler, Amy
29 Atchison, Julie Van Grinsven, Jackie Konrad, Erin Walsh,
30 Michele Szatko, Margeret Knap, Elizabeth Marino, Courtney
31 Harvey, Casey Walsh, Claudette Towers, Sarah Kwasinski, Erin

1 Lawless, Jennifer Krauss, Sarah Bulvan, and Traci Pawlak;
2 they were led by coach Dave Power and assistant coaches Jana
3 Mathis, Bill Power, John Weaver, and Dale Heidloff; the team
4 ended the season with 36 wins and 2 losses; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
7 we congratulate the Friars, the Fenwick High School Girls
8 Varsity Basketball Team, on winning the 2001 IHSA State Class
9 AA Girls Basketball Championship; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the principal of Fenwick High School James J.
12 Quaid, Ph.D., the coach of the Fenwick Friars, Dave Power;
13 assistant coaches, Jana Mathis, Bill Power, John Weaver, and
14 Dale Heidloff; and to each member of the 2001 IHSA State
15 Class AA Girls Basketball Championship team.