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Whereas, The State of Indiana takes great pride in the accomplishments of its higher education institutions;

Whereas, Significant achievements by intercollegiate athletic teams enhance the reputation of the institution and provide lasting experiences to student-athletes, to the general student population, and to fans alike;

Whereas, The Purdue Boilermaker women's basketball team captured the attention of the nation in a season that included victories over several highly ranked teams, while forging an overall record of 34 wins and only one loss;

Whereas, The team consistently earned fervent fan support and high national rankings, including the ranking of Number One at the end of the season;

Whereas, Their outstanding play led to sole possession of the 1999 Big Ten title with no league losses, followed by the championship of the Big Ten tournament;

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Whereas, The team's regular-season achievements preceded further victories in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Tournament during the month of March, culminating on March 28, 1999, when Purdue defeated Duke University 62-45 in the NCAA championship game to become the first Purdue team and the first Big Ten women's basketball team ever to be crowned national champion;

Whereas, Members of the Purdue women's basketball team exemplified the highest ideals of the student-athlete through their on-court skills and their significant academic prowess in the classroom, including Academic All-Big Ten members Danielle Bird, Camille Cooper, Candi Crawford, Katie Douglas, Michelle Duhart, Amy Shaffer, Stephanie White-McCarty, and Tiffany Young;

Whereas, Senior co-captain Ukari Figgs was named Most Valuable Player of the NCAA Final Four, as well as a member of the Midwest Regional All-Tournament Team, the Big Ten All-Tournament Team, the First Team All-Big Ten, and Honorable Mention All-American;

Whereas, Senior co-captain Stephanie White-McCarty was recipient of the Wade Trophy as the nation's outstanding senior player based on athletics, academics, leadership, community service, and sportsmanship, and was named First Team All-American, runner-up for National Player of the Year, GTE Academic All-American of the Year, Big Ten Player of the Year, and other citations;

Whereas, The entire roster--including Mackenzie Curless, Kelly Komara, Mo-nique Langston, Beth Lapaich, Connie Murdock, Mary Jo Noon, and Shayla Potter--contributed to the success and reputation of the 1999 team; and

Whereas, Head Coach Carolyn Peck, in leading her team to the 1999 national championship, was cited as National



Coach of the Year by the Associated Press, Sports Illustrated, The Sporting News, and the Women's Basketball Coaches Association, in addition to Big Ten Coach of the Year honors and being the 1999 recipient of the John and Nellie Wooden Award as the nation's top coach: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

1 SECTION 1. The General Assembly congratulates the Purdue
2 University Boilermakers on winning the 1999 national championship
3 in women's basketball, as well as the 1999 Big Ten title and the Big
4 Ten Tournament.

5 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to transmit a
6 copy of this resolution to each member of the team, to Head Coach
7 Carolyn Peck, to the assistant coaches, to the trainers, to the managers,
8 to the Athletic Director of the University, Morgan Burke, and to the
9 President of Purdue University, Dr. Steven Beering.

