SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 125

BY SENATOR STINE

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the Hamilton Christian Academy Warriors on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA) Boys Basketball Select Division IV state championship game.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Senate takes immense pride in recognizing the athletic achievements of our high school student-athletes and congratulating schools that attain excellence through determination, teamwork, and perseverance; and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Christian Warriors won the 2025 LHSAA Boys Basketball Select Division IV state championship title after a very grueling 61-58 victory over Southern Lab on March 14, 2025, in the Burton Coliseum; and

WHEREAS, this championship win marks Hamilton Christian Academy's first basketball state championship of their program; and

WHEREAS, Coach Dexter Washington has been named "1A State Coach of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, two of the "Big Three" players on the team have earned special recognition: Javon Vital is a "1A Player of the Year"; and has been selected as a member of the All Tournament Team, and Seth Ned has been selected as a member of the March Madness All Tournament Team and has committed to play basketball at Millsaps College; and

WHEREAS, the state champion team members include: Jimmy Abram, Nathan Carter, Skylar Drain, Braylon Dugas, Jayvian Henney, Jayden Jasmine, Kelby McMahon, Joh'Von Palacios, Paul Pitre, Christoper Rideau, Juilon Rideau, Darius Syon, Javonte Vital, Justin Weston, and Shawn Weston; and

WHEREAS, the state champion team coaches include: Head Coach Dexter Washington and assistant coaches: Jimmy Griffin, Mack Guillory, Zion Stewart, and Dominique Washington; and WHEREAS, the Warriors' first basketball state championship achievement has brought great honor to their school, their families, and their community, and serves as an enduring source of pride and inspiration to all.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Hamilton Christian Warriors' boys basketball team on their outstanding 2025 season and their well-earned LHSAA Select Division IV state championship and does extend best wishes for continued success both on and off the court.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Hamilton Christian's Head Coach Dexter Washington.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE