## 2017 Regular Session

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 112

# BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

## A RESOLUTION

To commend the North DeSoto High School girls' softball team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association Class 4A Championship and to congratulate the Lady Griffins on an outstanding season.

WHEREAS, at the 2017 Louisiana High School Athletic Association championship tournament, the North DeSoto High School girls' softball team rolled to a third consecutive state Class 4A title with a 10-0 victory over West Ouachita; and

WHEREAS, the team's amazing feats could not have been achieved without the unwavering dedication and inspiring guidance of head coach Lori McFerren; the Lady Griffins coaching staff, assistant coaches Julie Henderson and Robert John Middleton; team manager Ana Armstrong; transportation specialist Jerrie Choate, and ball girl Regan Davlin; as well as the passion of the many Lady Griffins supporters who contribute to the success of the school's softball program; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Lady Griffins include seniors Emma Callie Delafield and Bayli Simon ; juniors Haily Ebey, Madison McMellon, and Sydney Webster; sophomores Skylar Boyd, Taylor Christian, Lori Cosby, Lauren Davlin, Draydin Ferguson, Britlyn Garrett, Amber Giddens, Gabby Hamm, Sheridin Loe, Laken Martin, Bailey McMillian, and Halie Waters; and freshmen MacKenzie Grainer, Lily Hemingway, Maria Icenhower, Gracie Simon, and Sydnie Simon; and WHEREAS, two members of the Lady Griffins softball team deserve special recognition for their outstanding game performances; pitcher Emma Callie Delafield pitched and hit throughout the tournament at Frasch Park, including collecting a walk-off single in the bottom of the sixth, to vault her team to victory; and Sydney Webster who hit a towering three-run homerun in the fourth; and

WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana wish to recognize the performance excellence of the Lady Griffins in their outstanding achievements during the 2016-2017 season, to commend the team for the ability they have displayed throughout the season, and to express their congratulations to the team members and to head coach Lori McFerren for the merits earned and the pride shown while achieving such a high honor for the North DeSoto High School girls' softball program.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the members and coaching staff of the North DeSoto High School girls' softball team for winning their third consecutive Class 4A state title and outscoring every opponent in the five playoff games 43-2; and do hereby extend heartiest congratulations for completing a successful 2016-2017 season with a final record of 31-3 through dedicated teamwork, which brings honor to the school, community, and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to head coach Lori McFerren.

# SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES