BY SENATORS LAMBERT AND PRICE AND REPRESENTATIVES BACALA, BRASS, EDMONSTON AND SCHEXNAYDER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the St. Amant High School softball team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association 2022 Class 5A state championship.

WHEREAS, the St. Amant High School Lady Gators softball team cruised to its second state title in four years, defeating fourth-ranked West Monroe in just five innings to take home the 2022 Class 5A state softball championship; and

WHEREAS, St. Amant put on a show, shutting out the Lady Rebels, who had scored forty runs in their previous four playoff games, with a final score of 10-0; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Gators' bats went hot in the second inning with two-run homers from both Aralee Beene and Addison Jackson, followed by a base hit by Caterina Byars, and another two-run homer by Alix Franklin; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Gators sealed the win in the fourth inning with another base hit from Byars, an RBI single by Mary Beth Zeller, and a base hit by Carmen Dixon; the icing was a three-run shot from Samantha Landaiche, a career first; and

WHEREAS, punctuating a season with over three hundred strikeouts, pitcher Addison Jackson tossed a perfect game, striking out four and retiring all fifteen West Monroe batters without allowing a run, walk, or hit; and

WHEREAS, seniors Carmen Dixon and Caterina Byars finished their high school careers with ninety-six wins and two state championships; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Head Coach Amy Pitre and coaches Darrel Landry, Mark Maher, and John Bentivegna, the Lady Gators outscored their opponents 53-3 in a spectacular playoff run, capping off an impressive twenty-nine game winning streak, and ending the season ranked fourth in the nation; and

WHEREAS, St. Amant now has a total of seven state softball championship titles and is tied for fourth overall in titles won; and

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WHEREAS, the St. Amant Lady Gators softball team has earned the highest recognition for its exemplary skill and determination displayed during the 2022 championship run.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the St. Amant High School Lady Gators softball team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association 2022 Class 5A state championship and does hereby extend sincere wishes that the coaches and team members continue to support one another to achieve great things in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the principal of St. Amant High School.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES