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8 COMMENDING THE HOMEWOOD BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM AND
9 COACHES ON WINNING THE 2016 AHSAA CLASS 6A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
12 are herein proudly presented to the Homewood Boys Basketball
13 Team and Coaches on the outstanding achievement of winning the
14 2016 AHSAA Class 6A State Championship; and

15 WHEREAS, through hard work, diligence, and an
16 unwavering commitment to excellence, the Homewood Patriots
17 claimed the title with a 54-51 victory over Muscle Shoals,
18 earning the school's first basketball state title; and

19 WHEREAS, the players, all of whom contributed
20 mightily to the success of the program, include Tobbie Taylor,
21 Austin Patterson, Derrick Underwood, Ronald Claiborne, CD
22 Daniels, Joe Kennedy, Andrew Cleveland, Jake Burdeshaw,
23 Faulkner Williams, Will Mizerany, Luke Touliatos, Logan
24 Padgett, Peyton Brown, Chris Miller, and Trey Jemison; and

25 WHEREAS, standout performances were displayed in the
26 Championship Game by Luke Touliatos, Austin Patterson, and
27 Peyton Brown; Luke Touliatos finished with 13 points and six

1 rebounds, was named 6A Championship All-Tournament MVP, and
2 was named to the ASWA 6A All State Basketball Team; Austin
3 Patterson played exceptional defense, made two free throws
4 with 53.1 seconds remaining, finished with 15 points and three
5 assists, and was named to the ASWA 6A All State Basketball
6 Team; Peyton Brown made two crucial free throws with 16.8
7 seconds remaining in the game that extended the Patriots lead
8 to five points; and

9 WHEREAS, over the course of the season, the Homewood
10 Patriots accumulated an impressive 30 to 5 record, won the
11 Class 6A Central Regional Tournament, Rebel Classic
12 Tournament, and Steel City Tournament, and defeated Class 5A,
13 3A, and 1A State Champions and the defending 7A State
14 Champions; and

15 WHEREAS, expert guidance and leadership were
16 provided by Head Coach Tim Shepler and assistant coaches Rick
17 Baguley, Austin Thames, Chet Walker, and Fred Martinear;
18 Student Manager Myles Butler greatly assisted the team
19 throughout the season; and

20 WHEREAS, notably, the Homewood Boys Basketball Team
21 was honored at the April 19, 2016, Homewood City Schools Board
22 Meeting with a plaque recognizing the school's first Boys
23 State Basketball Championship in the school's 44-year history;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, the Homewood Patriots are one-of-a-kind
26 athletes whose determination, effort, and passion for the game

1 inspire many within their community and beyond to also give
2 their very best; and

3 WHEREAS, the remarkable achievements of these
4 student-athletes and their coaches reflect immense credit upon
5 the entire State of Alabama, and they are truly deserving of
6 special commendation and praise; now therefore,

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
8 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the Homewood Boys Basketball
9 Team is honored and commended, and this resolution is offered
10 to them in highest tribute, along with sincere best wishes for
11 continued success in all future endeavors.