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CONGRATULATING THE NERDETTES, HUNTSVILLE'S ALL-GIRL
FIRST TECH CHALLENGE ROBOTICS TEAM, FOR THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

WHEREAS, highest congratulations are herein proudly
extended to the Nerdettes, Huntsville's all-girl FIRST Tech
Challenge Robotics Team, for their many impressive
accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, the Nerdettes have qualified to compete
against 160 teams from across the world at the FIRST Tech
Robotics World Championship in Houston, Texas, from April 20,
2022 to April 23, 2022; the talented team has competed in
several State Tournaments during the 2021/2022 season in order
to qualify for the World Championship, winning the First Place
Connect Award at the Tennessee State Championship, First Place
Connect Award at the Arkansas State Championship, Second Place
Inspire Award at the Arkansas State Championship, Third Place
Inspire Award at the Alabama State Championship, Third Place
Connect Award at the Alabama State Championship, Second Place
Innovate Award at the Alabama State Championship, and Second
Place Compass Award at the Alabama State Championship; in

1 addition, one of the team members, Emily King, was a Dean's
2 List Finalist at the Alabama State Championship; and

3 WHEREAS, each year, the FIRST Tech Challenge Teams
4 are presented with a new theme, a corresponding layout for the
5 robot field, and new tasks to complete; teams can prepare for
6 the competition by coding their robots using a variety of
7 Java-based programming; each season concludes with Regional
8 Championships and two exciting FIRST World Championships;
9 while building robots to compete in head-to-head competitions
10 around the world, the teams design and market their projects
11 just like in any real-life company or organization, and they
12 also partake in community outreach to inspire other students'
13 interest in STEM; and

14 WHEREAS, the Nerdettes are comprised of 9th, 10th,
15 and 11th grade STEM students from Huntsville High School and
16 St. John Paul II Catholic High School; this is the Nerdettes'
17 fourth year qualifying for the World Championship and the only
18 team from Alabama to qualify this year; the team members are
19 Emily King, Ava McIntosh, Ellen Vegerita, Hailey Holsonback,
20 Averiel Brininger, Megan Quinn, and Sydney MacMurray; and

21 WHEREAS, through dedication, teamwork, and a
22 commitment to excellence, the Nerdettes continue to achieve
23 one incredible accomplishment after the next and
24 simultaneously inspire many along the way; now therefore,

25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
26 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That the Nerdettes, Huntsville's
27 all-girl FIRST Tech Challenge Robotics Team, are highly

1 congratulated for their many impressive accomplishments, and
2 this resolution hereby serves as a tribute to the talented
3 team members with utmost admiration, along with sincere best
4 wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.