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HJR\_\_\_\_ COMMENDING THE 2023 CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL RED DEVIL
FOOTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE ALABAMA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC
ASSOCIATION CLASS 7A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ON DECEMBER 6, 2023.

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8 WHEREAS, highest congratulations are herein proudly 9 presented to the Central High School Varsity Football Team 10 for winning the Alabama High School Athletic Association 11 (AHSAA) Class 7A State Championship Title on December 6, 12 2023, at Bryant-Denny Stadium in Tuscaloosa, Alabama; and

13 WHEREAS, through teamwork, diligence, and a 14 commitment to excellence, the Central High School Red Devils 15 Varsity Football Team from Phenix City gave an incredible 16 performance and defeated the Thompson High School Warriors 17 from Alabaster 21-19; this is the third time they have won 18 the State Championship in the past 30 years; and

19 WHEREAS, during the 2023-2024 season, the Red Devils rushed for 2,120 yards and threw for 3,696 yards totaling 20 21 5,816 yards gained and averaging 42.8 points per game; they 22 held their opponents to an average total of 12 points per game, forced 16 turnovers, made 42 sacks, 134 tackles for a 23 24 loss, and recorded two shutouts; made 73 of 77 extra point 25 attempts, five out of eight field goal attempts, and punted 26 for an average of 30 yards; and they posted an undefeated season at 13-0; and 27 WHEREAS, the Central High School Red Devil Varsity 28

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Football Team finished the season ranked #25 in the USA Today High School Sports Super 25; and the Red Devils were proud to secure the #1 spot in the MaxPreps Alabama Division 7A rankings; and

33 WHEREAS, the Central High School Varsity Football 34 Team's outstanding season was accomplished under the expert 35 coaching and guidance provided by Head Coach Patrick Nix and 36 his coaching staff; under their leadership the players have 37 broadened their knowledge of the game, refined their skills 38 in execution, and continued a tradition of superior play and 39 true sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, the Central High School Red Devils' noteworthy success is a tremendous source of pride for their families, classmates, and the entire community, whose dedication and support have played a crucial role in motivating the team; now therefore,

45 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH 46 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Central High School 47 Varsity Football State Championship Team is highly 48 congratulated, and we hereby dedicate this resolution to the 49 team members, coaches, and Principal with utmost admiration, 50 along with sincere best wishes for continued success in all 51 future endeavors.