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SJR___ COMMENDING NICHOLAS DUNLAP ON WINNING THE 2024 AMERICAN EXPRESS ON THE PGA TOUR.

WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations are herein proudly conveyed to Alabama's own Nicholas Dunlap for winning The 2024 American Express PGA Golf Tournament; he is the first amateur in 33 years to win on the PGA Tour; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Dunlap was born on December 23, 2003, in Huntsville to Charlene and Jim Dunlap; he displayed an unusual talent in golf from a young age, and he learned and perfected his game at his home club, Greystone Golf and Country Club in Birmingham; he was known to be a hard and diligent student who worked tirelessly to perfect his natural ability; and

WHEREAS, Nick Dunlap won the 2021 U.S. Junior Amateur and subsequently committed to play at The University of Alabama; now a sophomore, he won the Linger Longer Invitational as a freshman, which was his first college individual victory; tied for fourth at regionals and shared 11th at the NCAA Championship; won the Northeast Amateur Invitational; the North & South Amateur at Pinehurst No. 2, where he went 5-0 in match play; and unsurprisingly, rolled through the competition to win the 2023 U.S. Amateur Championship; and



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29 WHEREAS, Nick Dunlap received a sponsor exemption to
30 play in The American Express on the PGA Tour; in the third
31 round, he shot a 12-under 60, tying Patrick Cantlay's record
32 for the lowest round by an amateur on the PGA Tour; he shot
33 2-under in the final round to win the tournament by one
34 stroke and became the first amateur to win a PGA Tour event
35 since Phil Mickelson won the Tucson Open in 1991; at 20
36 years and 29 days old, he also became the second-youngest
37 winner on the PGA Tour in the past 90 years; and he is the
38 first amateur player to have won the U.S. Junior Amateur,
39 U.S. Amateur, and a PGA Tour event; and

40 WHEREAS, the win moved Nick Dunlap from third to
41 first in the World Amateur Golf Ranking, which takes into
42 account the performance of amateurs in both amateur and
43 professional tournaments; a week after his victory at The
44 American Express, he announced that he was turning
45 professional and had accepted PGA Tour membership; and

46 WHEREAS, the occasion of Nicholas Dunlap winning his
47 first PGA Tour event is an accomplishment to be celebrated;
48 his single-minded dedication, strong desire for success,
49 constant training, and tireless and diligent efforts to
50 achieve excellence serve as a valuable example to young
51 athletes across the country and in his home State of
52 Alabama; now therefore,

53 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
54 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we highly commend and
55 congratulate Nicholas Dunlap for his outstanding victory at
56 The American Express on the PGA Tour, and we hereby dedicate



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57 this resolution to him with utmost admiration, along with
58 sincere best wishes for continued success.