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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Danville North Ridge Middle School seventh
3 grade boys basketball team won the Illinois Elementary School
4 Association Class AA seventh grade championship on Thursday,
5 February 9, 2006; and

6 WHEREAS, The Ridgerunners finished the season undefeated
7 with an outstanding record of 27 wins and no losses; the team
8 beat Bellwood Roosevelt in the first round with a score of 62
9 to 53; the second round brought a 56 to 54 win over Harvey
10 Brooks, a team that was previously undefeated; the team won the
11 third round game against Mokena with a score of 45 to 35; the
12 final against Springfield Grant was a close match, ending with
13 a score of 35 to 33; and

14 WHEREAS, The final game was tied with two seconds remaining
15 on the clock, when Joey Robinson scored two clutch free-throw
16 shots; he finished the night with 11 points and 12 rebounds;
17 Titus Bibb helped out with seven offensive rebounds and six
18 points and Dennis Forest scored 12 points; Javon Shaw ended the
19 game with four points and Jared Patterson had two; and

20 WHEREAS, This is the first time since 2001 that North Ridge
21 has advanced to the State tournament, and it is the first time
22 they have taken home the championship; Coach Bill Blair led the
23 team throughout this outstanding season; and

24 WHEREAS, The team was successful in part because they
25 listened well and didn't miss practice, two admirable
26 qualities; therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
28 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
29 congratulate the Danville North Ridge Middle School seventh
30 grade boys basketball team on winning the Illinois Elementary

1 School Association Class AA seventh grade championship; and be
2 it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the Ridgerunners as an expression of our esteem.